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IN RE: ETHICON, INC., PELVIC REPAIR SYSTEM PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION	Master File No. 2:12-MD-02327
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO WAVE 1 CASES	JOSEPH R. GOODWIN U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

EXPERT REPORT OF SCOTT GUELCHER, PH.D.

The opinions which are held and expressed to a reasonable degree of scientific certainty are as follows:

I. QUALIFICATIONS

Scott Guelcher, Ph.D.

I received my Bachelor's Degree in Chemical Engineering from Virginia Tech in 1992, my Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh in 1996, and my Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering from Carnegie Mellon University in 1999. I completed my training as a Post-Doctoral Research Associate in Biomedical Engineering at Carnegie Mellon University in 2005.

I have been an Associate Professor in the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering at Vanderbilt University since 2012, and prior to that I was an Assistant Professor Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering at Vanderbilt from 2005 through 2012. I was recently appointed a Chancellor's Faculty Fellow for the period 2015 – 2017. In 2015, I taught Process Design and will teach Introduction to Engineering in Fall 2016.

My professional experience includes: Associate Scientist and Senior Associate Scientist at Bayer Corporation, Polyurethanes Division, in South Charleston, West Virginia from 1999-2003; Trainee at Philips Research, in Eindhoven, The Netherlands in 1998; Limited Service Employee at Eastman Chemical Co. from 1995-1997; and Chemical Engineer at Eastman Chemical Co. from 1992-1994.

I am a co-editor of the book, *An Introduction to Biomaterials*, SA Guelcher and JO

Hollinger, eds., Boca Raton: CRC Press 2006. I am also the author of 9 book chapters, including, but not limited to, SA Guelcher, Polyurethanes. In *An Introduction to Biomaterials*, 161 – 183. SA Guelcher and JO Hollinger, eds. Boca Raton, CRC Press 2006; SA Guelcher, Biocompatibility of Injectable Materials. In *Injectable Biomaterials: Science and Applications*. B Vernon, ed. Woodhead Publishing 2011; EM Prieto and SA Guelcher, Tailoring Properties of Polymeric Biomedical Foams. In *Biomedical Foams for Tissue Engineering Applications*. P Netti, ed. Woodhead Publishing 2014; and S. Fernando, M McEnergy, and SA Guelcher, Polyurethanes for Bone Tissue Engineering. In *Advances in Polyurethane Biomaterials*. J Guan and S Cooper, eds. Woodhead Publishing 2016. My areas of research and interest include biomaterials design and development, drug and gene delivery, tissue engineering, and *in vitro* models for cancer metastasis.

My experience, education and training and a complete list of my published articles are summarized in my Curriculum Vitae attached to this report as Exhibit A. I have published 74 peer-reviewed articles, including two on the design of scaffolds that degrade in response to secretion of reactive oxygen species by infiltrating cells and one on degradation of explanted pelvic mesh. I have given 52 invited presentations and co-authored 176 abstracts presented at scientific meetings, two of which relate to oxidation of polypropylene in biomedical devices. I am a co-inventor on 9 issued U.S. and European Patents and 20 pending applications.

II. SUMMARY OF OPINIONS

This report is an examination and assessment of the polypropylene mesh utilized in devices manufactured by Ethicon to treat Stress Urinary Incontinence (SUI) and pelvic organ prolapse (POP). All of the opinions presented herein are made to a reasonable degree of scientific certainty and within my field of expertise.

- 1) Polypropylene reacts with molecular oxygen by autoxidation outside the body at elevated temperatures, resulting in chain scission and deterioration in its mechanical properties;
- 2) After implantation in the body, polypropylene reacts with reactive oxygen species secreted by inflammatory cells, resulting in oxidation, chain scission and mesh embrittlement;
- 3) The dynamic environment where the polypropylene mesh is implanted coupled with the foreign body reaction leads to oxidation, chain scission, reduction in molecular weight, embrittlement, degradation, flaking, pitting, and cracking;
- 4) The human body does not stop responding to an implanted mesh, or any frayed particles of mesh released during implantation, unless the product is removed in its entirety;
- 5) The mesh devices examined for this report are intended to last for the lifetime of the patient, but the presence of antioxidants does not permanently protect the PP against degradation, and thus it is not possible to guarantee that it will perform its intended function after implantation;
- 6) The effects of oxidation on the stability of Prolene were known to Ethicon prior to launching its SUI and POP devices, but the company did not consider the risks associated with polypropylene oxidation on the stability of Prolene mesh, to the detriment of patients implanted with the devices;
- 7) Polypropylene mesh is not inert and its properties change after implantation, which can lead to adverse events in an implantee; the use of heavy-weight meshes directly correlates with more exposure of polypropylene to the Foreign Body Reaction and greater changes after implantation, which increases the risk of complications.

III. BACKGROUND

Ethicon sells permanently implantable polypropylene-based meshes intended to treat Stress Urinary Incontinence (SUI) and Pelvic Organ Prolapse (POP). All of the products in this litigation use the same Prolene resin to make the polypropylene-based meshes examined in this report.¹ Prolene was developed by Ethicon in the late 1960s for use as a suture material² and is more than 97% polypropylene. Additives are blended with polypropylene to modify its properties, including the antioxidants dilauralthiodipropionate (DLTDP) and Santonox-R to protect Prolene during high-temperature processing and long-term storage³, and the blue pigment copper phthalocyanate (CPC) to enhance its visibility.⁴ Prolene resin is manufactured as pellets, which are extruded into monofilaments that are subsequently knit into a specific mesh pattern.⁵

Ethicon's SUI devices consist of their instructions for use (IFU), insertion tools, and a high-density mesh (105 g/m²) knit from Prolene monofilaments that are 6 mil (0.006 inches) in diameter.⁶ The Prosima, Prolift, and Gynemesh POP devices all consist of their IFU, insertion tools, and a lower density mesh (45 g/m², known as Gynemesh⁷) knit from Prolene monofilaments that are 3.5 mil (0.0035 inches) in diameter.⁸ The mesh used in the Prolift+M POP device is a hybrid material comprising a blend of absorbable Monocryl (poly(glycolide-co-ε-caprolactone)) and Prolene. After the Monocryl is absorbed, the density of the remaining Prolene mesh is 28 g/m².⁹

¹ Eth.Mesh.04941016; Eth.Mesh.01310578; Eth.Mesh.03987419; Eth.Mesh.07876572; Eth.Mesh.00019863; Eth.Mesh.0181699

² Eth.Mesh.02268619

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IV. DISCUSSION

1) Polypropylene reacts with molecular oxygen outside the body by the process of autoxidation

Polypropylene (PP) is a plastic that is formed by a chemical reaction that joins the monomer propylene (which is composed of three carbon atoms and six hydrogen atoms) into a long repeating chain in a process called polymerization.¹⁰ All forms of PP are susceptible to oxidation at the tertiary hydrogen-carbon bond.¹¹

Oxidative attack at the tertiary hydrogen bond is the rate-controlling step in degradation process and results in the PP molecular chain being broken, a process known as chain scission, with the consequent loss in molecular weight. The mechanism of PP autoxidation is shown in Figure 1.¹² The process is autocatalytic, resulting in generation of more PP radicals (PP•) as the reaction progress. Thus, the reaction continues until no more PP can be broken down. The mechanism of PP autoxidation has been investigated extensively since the 1960s and was well known at the time that Ethicon was designing the mesh used in SUI and POP products. As shown in Figure 1, the products of autoxidation include shorter PP chains with carbonyl (C=O) and hydroperoxide (COOH) groups covalently bound to the PP. The presence of these groups can be detected by surface techniques such as

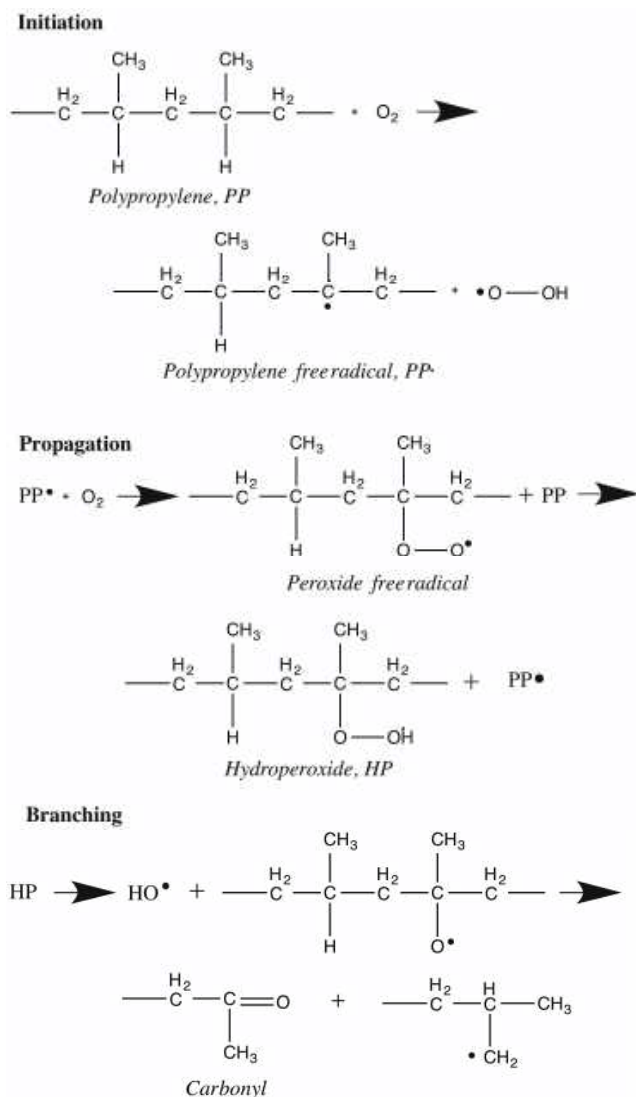


Figure 1. Mechanism of PP autoxidation. Initiation, propagation, and branching reactions lead to chain scission (loss of molecular weight). Products from autoxidation include hydroperoxide and carbonyl groups, which can be detected by analytical methods such as FTIR.

¹⁰ Industrial Polymers, 2008, p. 74.

¹¹ H.H. Kausch. The effect of Degradation and Stabilization on the Mechanical Properties of Polymers Using Polypropylene Blends as the Main Example. Macromol. Symp. 2005, 225, 165-178.

¹² Reference for Figure 1: C Maier, T Calafut. Polypropylene: The Definitive User's Guide and Databook. Norwich, NY: Plastics Design Library, 1998.

FTIR and x-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) as evidence of oxidation.¹³

As shown in Figure 2, heat and UV radiation accelerate oxidation of PP.¹⁴ Absorption of oxygen is diffusion-controlled, and the amorphous regions are the most accessible to diffusion of O₂. Tie molecules connect the crystallizable segments of the PP chains and neighboring crystalline domains. Since the tie molecules are cut by the oxidation process, cutting of the tie molecules contributes to embrittlement. The key feature of molecular weight loss that is critical for Figure 3.¹⁵ An important finding from this study is that the induction time (~150 hours) is much shorter than the induction time (~250 hours) for unstabilized PP. Carbonyl groups and hydroxyl groups associated with these conditions. Thus, the induction time overestimates the useful life of PP with respect to its mechanical properties.

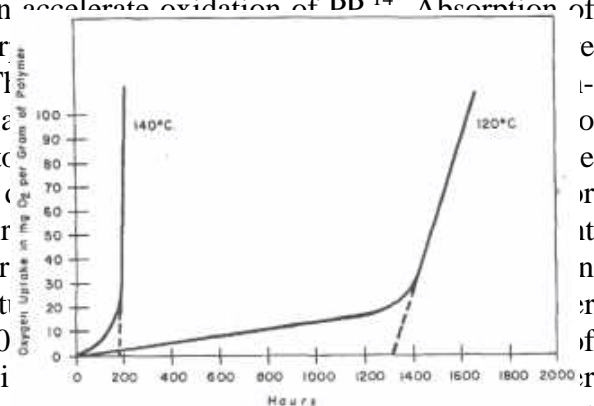


Figure 2. Autoxidation of PP is accelerated at elevated temperatures. Oxygen absorption of stabilized PP increases with time and temperature in 100% O₂. The induction time is determined by extrapolating the autocatalytic constant rate portion of the curve (steeper slope) to the x-axis (dashed line). Reproduced from Oswald and Turi 1965.

The storage stability of unstabilized PP at ambient conditions has also been studied (Figure 4). When PP films were stored at room temperature and atmospheric O₂ concentration, the molecular weight (as determined by extrinsic viscosity) of PP dramatically decreased at 500 days (1.4 years). Thus, while oxidation is accelerated at elevated temperatures and oxygen concentrations, even at ambient temperature and atmospheric oxygen concentration there is chain scission and molecular weight loss.

2) After implantation in the body, polypropylene reacts with reactive oxygen species secreted by inflammatory cells, resulting in oxidation, chain scission and mesh embrittlement;

Liebert et al.¹⁷ (1976) reported the oxidation of unstabilized PP filaments *in vivo* in a subcutaneous implantation model in hamsters. An induction time of 108 days was determined based on FTIR measurements of hydroxyl (which includes the hydroperoxide COOH) and carbonyl groups. FTIR measurements of hydroxyl and carbonyl groups showed behavior similar to that observed by Fayolle (Figure 3), consistent with the oxidation mechanism. However, Liebert estimated that the induction time for oxidation under *in vivo* conditions (37°C in 3.3% O₂) is approximately 20 years, which is dramatically higher than the measured value of 108 days. The authors suggested that enzymes or other chemicals secreted by cells accelerate the oxidation reaction. Recent papers have shown that this shorter induction time can be explained by the secretion of reactive oxygen species (ROS) by inflammatory cells near the PP fibers that oxidize and degrade the PP fibers *in vivo*.

¹³ Fayolle et al. Oxidation-induced embrittlement in polypropylene – a tensile testing study. Polym Degrad Stability 70:333-40, 2000.

¹⁴ HJ Oswald and E. Turi. The Deterioration of Polypropylene by Oxidative Degradation. Polymer Engineering and Science, 1965.

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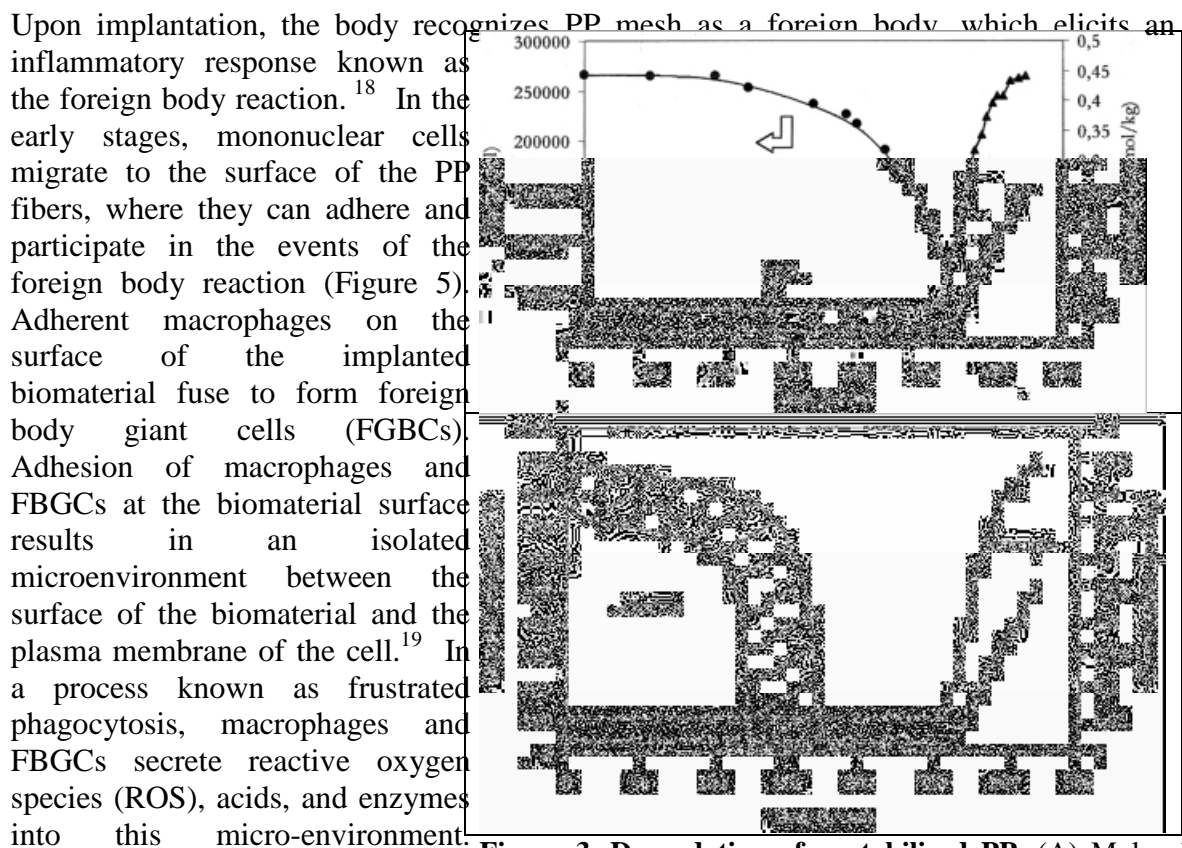


Figure 3. Degradation of unstabilized PP. (A) Molecular weight decreases with time when exposed to oxygen at elevated temperatures (Fayolle et al. 2000). On the right y-axis, the concentration of hydroxyl (triangles) and carbonyl (squares) groups are shown. (B) Evolution of ultimate elongation (diamonds) and hydroxyl (triangles) and carbonyl (squares) groups during exposure to oxygen at elevated degradation. As an example, the temperatures (Fayolle et al. 2000).

polyether soft segment of poly(ether urethane)s is known to undergo oxidative degradation. The morphological progression of the foreign body reaction on a poly(ether urethane) surface is shown in Figure 6.⁹

¹⁸ James M. Anderson, Analiz Rodriguez, and David T. Chang. Foreign Body Reaction to Biomaterials. *Semin Immunol.* 2008 April ; 20(2): 86–100.

¹⁹ *Id.*

While initial studies identifying adherent macrophages and FBGCs as sources of ROS focused on poly(ether urethane)s, these cell populations have also been reported to infiltrate PP mesh.²⁰ In a recent study characterizing the foreign body reaction of PP implants in a rat abdominal wall model, macrophages and foreign body giant cells were observed both in the tissue surrounding the implant and also the implant itself.²¹ Thus, within one week after implantation PP mesh was colonized by macrophages and FBGCs. Furthermore, PP mesh samples showed more inflammatory cells than PP sutures. The hernia literature also provides evidence that the foreign body reaction alters PP *in vivo*. In a study evaluating non-degradable meshes explanted from 17 patients that had surgery for repair of abdominal wall defects, a foreign body reaction characterized by granulation tissue and inflammatory cells 3 – 24 months post-implantation was seen.²² The authors observed that inflammation near synthetic materials implanted in the abdominal wall persists for years. They further noted that this persistent foreign body reaction can lead to long-term complications, and that further studies are required to evaluate the long-term response of the host tissue to the implanted synthetic graft. Costello et al. explanted PP hernia mesh and observed degradation of PP film with the oxidation of PP mediated by cells during the foreign body reaction.

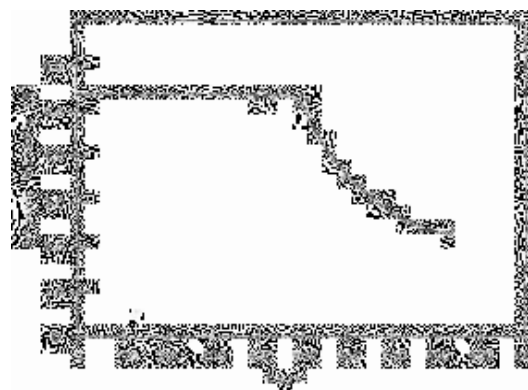


Figure 4. Stability of unstabilized PP at room temperature. Significant molecular weight loss occurs at 500 days. Reproduced from Oswald and Turi 1965.

Three key studies published to characterize the host inflammatory response to implanted PP provide further evidence that PP mesh undergoes oxidative degradation *in vivo*. Gynemesh PS and UltraPro, which are Prolene meshes used in Ethicon's POP products, were implanted in rhesus macaques by sacrocolpexy

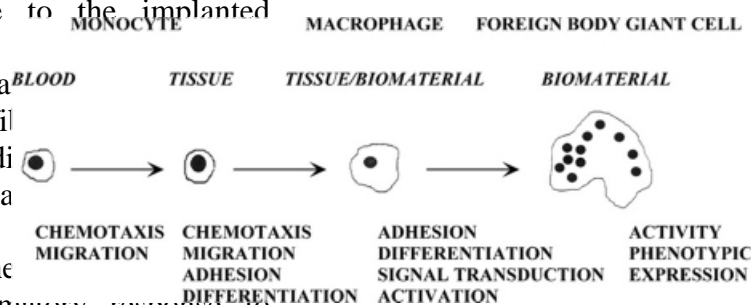


Figure 5. *In vivo* transition from blood-borne monocyte to biomaterial adherent monocyte/macrophage to foreign body giant cell at the tissue/biomaterial interface. There is ongoing research to determine the mechanisms that are considered to play a role in the transition to foreign body giant cell development. From Anderson et al. Seminars in Immunology 2008.

²⁰ Celine Mary, Yves Marois, Martin W. King, Gaetan Laroche, Yvan Douville, Louise Martin, Robert Guidoin, Comparison of the In Vivo Behaviour of Polyvinylidene Fluoride and Polypropylene Sutures Used in Vascular Surgery, ASAIO Journal, 44 (1998) 199-206; VV Iakovlev, ET Carey, J Steege. Pathology of Explanted Transvaginal Meshes. Int. J. Medical, Health, Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Eng. 8(9):510-513, 2014

²¹ Tensile strength and host response towards different PP implant materials used for augmentation of fascial repair in a rat model. Deprest et al. Int Urogynecol J 18:619-26, 2007.

²² Foreign Body Reaction to Meshes Used for the Repair of Abdominal Wall Hernias. U. Klinge, 1,3 B. Klosterhalfen, 2,3 M. Müller and V. Schumpelick. Eur J Surg 1999; 165: 665-673

²³ C.R. Costello, S.L. Bachman, B.J. Ramshaw, S.A. Grant, Materials Characterization of Explanted Polypropylene Hernia Meshes, J. Biomed. Mater. Res. Part B Appl. Biomater 83 (2007) 44e49; and C.R. Costello, S.L. Bachman, S.A. Grant, D.S. Cleveland, T.S. Loy, B.J. Ramshaw, Characterization of Heavyweight and Lightweight Polypropylene Prosthetic Mesh Explants from a Single Patient, Surg. Innov. 14 (2007) 168e176

after an abdominal hysterectomy.²⁴ After 12 weeks implantation time, the vagina-mesh tissue complexes were harvested and processed for histological and immunohistochemical analysis. Explanted Gynemesh PS and UltraPro meshes showed evidence of a foreign body reaction characterized by a dense mononuclear cell infiltrate near the surface of the mesh fibers. Mononuclear cells staining positive for the pan-macrophage marker CD68 were the cell type present at the highest density adjacent to the mesh fibers. The inflammatory response to all implanted PP meshes was characterized primarily by activated, pro-inflammatory M1 macrophages (Figure 7, Top Left).²⁵ The ratio of regenerative M2 macrophages to M1 macrophages was higher for the lower density UltraPro mesh compared to the higher density Gynemesh PS. This finding is consistent with the mesh burden concept that the magnitude of the foreign body reaction increases with the amount of mesh in contact with host tissue. Thus, the work by Moalli et al. establishes that the foreign body reaction to implanted PP mesh is dominated by pro-inflammatory M1 macrophages. In a study I co-authored with Dr. Vladimir Iakovlev in 2015, we examined 164 explanted PP pelvic meshes by microscopy.²⁶ Examination of histological sections revealed the presence of inflammatory cells near the surface of PP fibers, and staining for the oxidative enzyme myeloperoxidase expressed by adherent inflammatory cells was positive on the surface of the degraded layer of the PP fibers (Figure 7, Bottom Left). Another study published in 2015 confirmed that the foreign body reaction to implanted PP mesh results in oxidative degradation of the mesh.²⁷ PP pelvic meshes explanted from 11 patients were characterized by FTIR, GPC, SEM with energy-dispersive x-ray spectroscopy (EDS), TEM, and TGA and compared to meshes that had not been implanted. FTIR spectra of explanted PP mesh showed broad peaks centered at 3400 cm^{-1} , which correspond to hydroxyl and peroxide groups, and at $1700 - 1750\text{ cm}^{-1}$, which correspond to carbonyl groups associated with ketones, aldehydes, and carboxylic acids. Importantly, this study demonstrated that oxidized PP, which does not contain nitrogen, and biological material, which does contain nitrogen, could be distinguished by a combination of EDS and SEM. Regions of PP fibers with transverse cracks that were free of biological material were found to contain oxidized PP (Figure 7 Right). Furthermore, clean PP fibers that showed no evidence of transverse cracking revealed evidence of PP oxidation.

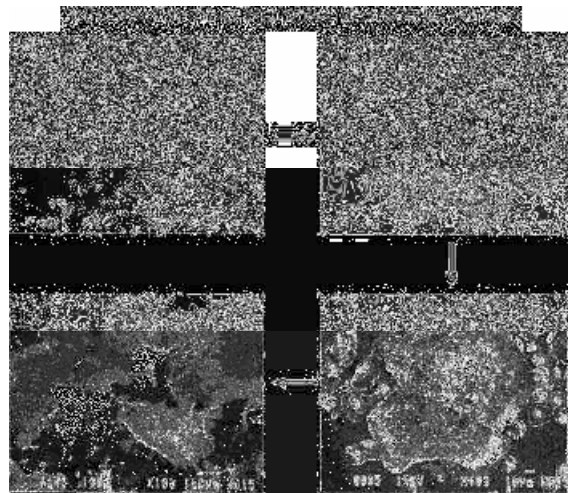


Figure 6. Scanning electron microscopy images of an Elasthane 80A Polyurethane surface from an in vivo cage study showing the morphological progression of the foreign body reaction. The sequence of events at the Polyurethane surface includes (A) monocyte adhesion (0 days), (B) monocyte-to-macrophage development (3 days), (C) ongoing macrophage-macrophage fusion (7 days), and (D) foreign body giant cells (14 days). From JM Anderson et al., Foreign body reaction to biomaterials. *Seminars in Immunology* 20:86-100, 2008.

²⁴ Moalli et al., Characterization of the host inflammatory response following implantation of prolapse mesh in rhesus macaque. *Am J Obstet Gynecol.* 2015 Nov;213(5):668.e1-668.e10;

²⁵ JM Anderson et al., Foreign body reaction to biomaterials. *Seminars in Immunology* 20:86-100, 2008

²⁶ VV Iakovlev, SA Guelcher, R Bendavid. *In vivo* degradation of polypropylene: microscopic analysis of meshes explanted from 130 patients. *Journal of Applied Biomedical Materials Research B: Applied Biomaterials*, 2015 Aug 28 doi: 10.1002/jbm.b.33502

²⁷ A Imel, T Malmgren, M Dadmun, S. Gido, J Mays. In vivo oxidative degradation of polypropylene pelvic mesh. *Biomaterials* 73:131-141, 2015.

Taken together, these findings are consistent with the early observations of Liebert et al. and the scientific principles of the foreign body reaction. Implanted PP mesh is infiltrated by inflammatory cells, which are predominantly M1 pro-inflammatory macrophages. Macrophages in close proximity to the PP fiber surface secrete ROS, resulting in oxidation of the PP fibers. Consequently, the foreign body response to PP is elevated when more PP is present. As noted below, this principle has been acknowledged by Ethicon employees and consultants, who have noted that heavy-weight meshes like the Gynemesh and TVT induce a greater foreign body reaction than light-weight meshes.

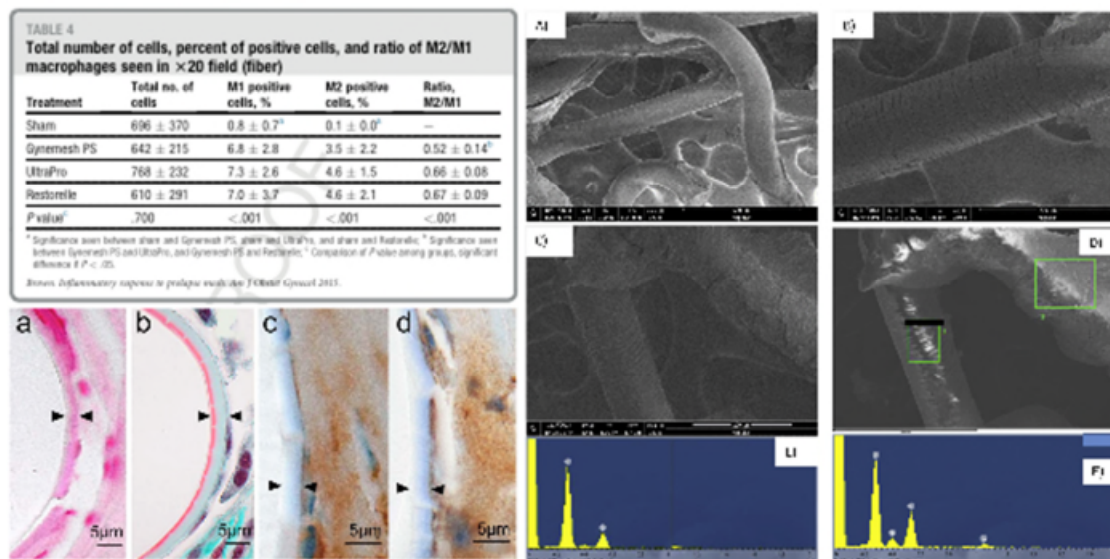


Figure 7. Oxidative degradation of PP mesh *in vivo*. Top Left: Table listing the total number of cells, percent of positive cells, and ratio of M2/M1 macrophages seen in x20 field (fiber) (Moalli et al., Characterization of the host inflammatory response following implantation of prolapse mesh in rhesus macaque.) Bottom Left: Additional stains of PP mesh, all images taken with 100x oil immersion objective and cropped to a different magnification, polypropylene degradation layer is pointed between arrowheads: (a) Von Kossa stain is negative for calcium in the brittle “bark” (would stain calcium black), (b) trichrome stain shows that the deeper parts of the “bark” have smaller staining porosity (red) than those close to the surface (green) which correlates with TEM findings [Figure 6(b)], (c) immunohistochemical stain for immunoglobulin G (IgG, stained brown). IgG is present in almost all human tissues and fluids. It is deposited on the surface of degraded polypropylene but is not mixed within it. (d) Immunostain for the oxidizing enzyme of inflammatory cells myeloperoxidase (stains brown). (VV Iakovlev. *In vivo* degradation of polypropylene: microscopic analysis of meshes explanted from 130 patients.) Right: A) SEM of explanted Pinnacle Mesh fibers [XP-7]. B) SEM of explanted Pinnacle Mesh fibers [XP-7]. C) SEM of explanted Pinnacle Mesh fibers [XP-7]. D) SEM image with regions selected for EDS. E) EDS Spectra from region 1 in D. F) EDS Spectra from region 2 in D. (A Imel, T Malmgren, M Dadmun, S. Gido, J Mays. *In vivo* oxidative degradation of polypropylene pelvic mesh, Biomaterials, 2015.).

3) The dynamic environment where the Prolene mesh is implanted coupled with the foreign body reaction leads to oxidation, chain scission, reduction in molecular weight, embrittlement, degradation, flaking, pitting, and cracking;

In an early study, Prolene sutures implanted for 1 – 2 years in a canine thoracoabdominal bypass model showed evidence of transverse cracks and peeling (Mary 1998).²⁸ Several more recent studies have reported degradation of explanted PP pelvic mesh. In the first study characterizing explanted pelvic mesh, Clavé et al. reported that 42% of the explants

²⁸ Celine Mary, Yves Marois, Martin W. King, Gaetan Laroche, Yvan Douville, Louise Martin, Robert Guidoin, Comparison of the In Vivo Behaviour of Polyvinylidene Fluoride and Polypropylene Sutures Used in Vascular Surgery, ASAIO Journal, 44 (1998) 199-206

showed evidence of chronic inflammation, characterized by an infiltrate of mononuclear cells and FGBCs. SEM analysis revealed that the implants were degraded, and that degradation was observed in meshes that had been implanted for at least 3 months.²⁹

In the study that I co-authored with Dr. Iakovlev³⁰, a layer of degraded PP was observed by optimal microscopy near the surface of the fibers in the explanted mesh (Figure 7). Micro-cracks were present in the degraded PP layer. Degradation and cracking of the polypropylene fibers was observed as early as 18 months for a cohort of 23 explanted PP SUI devices.

Mays et al. also observed degradation of fiber in explanted PP mesh using SEM. Using a combination of SEM and EDS, the authors were able to distinguish between fibers that were clean and those that were coated with biological material. Explanted fibers were observed that showed evidence of severe transverse cracks (Figure 7), which was accompanied by oxidative degradation of the fibers. The authors identified the mechanism of PP degradation as comprising the following steps: infiltration of inflammatory cells that secrete ROS in close proximity to the PP mesh fibers, oxidative degradation of the PP fibers characterized by the appearance of hydroxyl and carbonyl groups in the FTIR spectra, a reduction in molecular weight, embrittlement, cracking, and fragmentation of the PP fibers.

4) PP mesh is known to fray under tension and release particles while being handled and implanted. The human body does not stop responding to these particles or to the PP mesh unless the product is removed in its entirety

As an example of how oxidation of an implanted biomaterial affects its performance, poly(ether urethane)s (PEUs) were used as pacemaker lead insulation due to their improved mechanical properties as compared to silicone rubber. While PEU elastomers were believed to be biocompatible for many years, they are now known to undergo environmental stress cracking due to oxidative degradation of the polyether component and subsequent loss in molecular weight.³¹ Adherent macrophages and FBCGs were shown to be responsible for environmental stress cracking. Thus oxidative degradation and environmental stress cracking comprise a vicious cycle in which oxidative degradation drives the embrittlement of the polymer surface and its subsequent cracking, which in turn exposes new surfaces of the material to oxidative degradation. Another study has shown that ROS actively degrades lysine-derived poly(ester urethane)s *in vivo* by an oxidative mechanism.³² Thus, oxidative degradation of biomaterials *in vivo* in response to ROS secreted by inflammatory cells is well known.

Since the foreign body reaction is present at the biomaterial surface for the lifetime of the

²⁹ Polypropylene as a reinforcement in pelvic surgery is not inert: comparative analysis of 100 explants. *Int Urogynecol J* (2010) 21:261-270

³⁰ VV Iakovlev, SA Guelcher, R Bendavid. In vivo degradation of polypropylene: microscopic analysis of meshes explanted from 130 patients. *Journal of Applied Biomedical Materials Research B: Applied Biomaterials*, 2015 Aug 28 doi: 10.1002/jbm.b.33502

³¹ *Id.*

³² AE Hafeman, KJ Zienkiewicz, AL Zachman, HJ Sung, LB Nanney, JM Davidson, SA Guelcher. Characterization of degradation mechanisms of biodegradable lysine-derived aliphatic polyurethanes. *Biomaterials* 32(2):419-29, 2011. See also Martin, MK Gupta, JM Page, F Yu, JM Davidson, SA Guelcher, CL Duvall. Synthesis of a Porous, Biocompatible Tissue Engineering Scaffold Selectively Degraded by Cell-Generated Reactive Oxygen Species. *Biomaterials* 35(12):3766-76, 2014.

implant, the oxidative process is ongoing as long as the implant is present.³³ Considering the ongoing foreign body reaction as well as the known susceptibility of PP to oxidation, the mechanical and physical properties of Ethicon's PP mesh will change after it is implanted.

In addition, the properties of Ethicon's PP mesh have been shown to change under tension and while the mesh is being handled.³⁴ The medical literature and Ethicon's internal studies have reported that particles are lost or shed from the TVT mesh while it is in the box and while it is being implanted.³⁵ The foreign body reaction to shed particles will be similar to that for the TVT mesh. The body will not stop responding to any particles that are shed inside the body during implantation until those particles are removed in their entirety.

5) Ethicon's pelvic meshes are intended to last for the lifetime of the patient, but the presence of antioxidants does not permanently protect the PP against degradation, and thus it is not possible to guarantee that these meshes will perform their intended function after implantation.

Although PP can never be considered inert, it is stabilized against oxidation by adding antioxidants to the molten polymer, which are intended to act as scavengers that will react with oxidative species.³⁶ The enduring nature of the foreign body reaction emphasizes the need for antioxidants to be added to biomaterials such that the time to oxidation, degradation, and embrittlement is extended.³⁷ PP in its pure (i.e., unstabilized) form degrades rapidly *in vivo*, with an induction period of only 108 days³⁸, and carbonyl groups were detected in unstabilized PP by infrared spectroscopy within 50 – 90 days.³⁹ Liebert et al. also tested stabilized PP in the hamster subcutaneous implant model. Oxidation of stabilized PP was observed, but the experiment ended at 100 days, at which time induction had not been observed for stabilized PP filaments. Consequently, the eventual *in vivo* induction time for stabilized PP has not been reported.

Stabilization with antioxidants is not permanent, since the purpose of using antioxidants is to react with any oxidative species (such as ROS) to prevent their reaction with PP.⁴⁰ These stabilizers are distributed throughout the PP, however, and can only protect the polymer if they are in the proper location and only until they are exhausted. The antioxidant package must be optimized for the intended use to achieve maximum service life of the polymer. Neither the Santonox R nor the dilauralthiodipropionate (DLTDP) antioxidant in the Prolene resin used to manufacture Prolene mesh⁴¹ is designed to protect against the ROS secreted by inflammatory cells *in vivo*. Santonox R is a hindered phenolic antioxidant

³³ Foreign Body Reaction to Biomaterials. James M. Anderson, Analiz Rodriguez, and David T. Chang. Semin Immunol. 2008 April ; 20(2): 86–100.

³⁴ ETH.MESH.01813975; ETH.MESH.01317515; ETH.MESH.03905472; ETH.MESH.00541379; ETH.MESH.00863391.

³⁵ *Id.*

³⁶ E. Rene de la Rie. Polymer Stabilizers. A Survey with Reference to Possible Applications in the Conservation Field. Studies in Conservation 33(1988) 9-22

³⁷ James M. Anderson, Analiz Rodriguez, and David T. Chang. Foreign Body Reaction to Biomaterials. Semin Immunol. 2008 April ; 20(2): 86–100.

³⁸ Liebert et al. Subcutaneous implants of PP filaments. JBMR 10:939-51, 1976.

³⁹ *Id.*

⁴⁰ *Id.*

⁴¹ Eth.Mesh.02268620

designed to protect Prolene during high-temperature processing (compounding and extrusion), while DLTPD is designed to protect Prolene from oxidation during long-term storage. Because *in vivo* oxidation and degradation are ongoing in response to the foreign body reaction, the antioxidant will eventually be depleted, resulting in oxidation and degradation of the PP mesh and changes to its properties over time. This cycle of depletion of antioxidants through reaction with ROS followed by the eventual degradation of the surface of the mesh will not stop until all of the mesh is removed, since cracking exposes new surfaces to ROS and the reaction begins anew.⁴²

6) The effects of oxidation on the stability of Prolene were known to Ethicon prior to launching its SUI and POP devices, but the company did not consider the risks associated with polypropylene oxidation on the stability of Prolene mesh, to the detriment of patients implanted with the devices.

Ethicon first reported evidence of Prolene oxidation and degradation in internal documents from the 1980s. These documents report evidence of chronic inflammation, oxidation, and degradation (micro-cracking) of Prolene sutures similar to that published in the scientific literature described above. Several relevant studies are reviewed in greater detail below.

In 1981, the depth of surface cracks was measured for explanted cardiovascular and ophthalmic Prolene sutures.⁴³ The crack depth varied from 0.5 – 4.5 microns. Another memo in 1983 reported cracking of explanted Prolene sutures.⁴⁴ One of the explanted sutures showed only 54% of its original strength. The memo noted that the histological evaluation of explanted sutures was consistent with previous studies, characterized by a foreign body reaction and a “degraded acellular infiltrate.” This document also refers to a Prolene Microcrack Committee. Thus, Ethicon was sufficiently aware of Prolene surface cracking to form a committee to investigate the mechanism of cracking.

Two memos written in 1984 investigated the cause of microcracking of explanted PP sutures from both ophthalmic and cardiovascular applications⁴⁵. Sutures that were in the body for more than two years exhibited surface or severe transverse cracks. The thickness of the crack layer ranged from 2 – 5 microns thick. Dr. Peter Moy recognized in a November 5, 1984 report that “oxidative degradation is another mechanism through which transverse cracks may be produced on oriented fibers.”⁴⁶ In an attempt to reproduce the observed cracking *in vitro*, Prolene sutures were incubated in aqueous 30% hydrogen peroxide for up to 1 year. Despite the fact that transverse cracks were not observed, infrared spectroscopy revealed evidence of oxidation products, which prompted Dr. Moy to note that “the possibility of a highly specific *in vivo* oxidation process remains.” These findings are consistent with the foreign body reaction, which produces ROS stronger than hydrogen peroxide⁴⁷. If treatment with 30% hydrogen peroxide caused oxidation of the PP suture (as reported by Dr. Moy), then ROS secreted by adherent macrophages would also be expected to cause oxidation. Dr. Moy also cited thermal stability and electron microdiffraction data supporting his hypothesis that at least a portion of the cracked layer contained protein. He recommended that an additional study was necessary to test this

⁴² James M. Anderson^{1,2,*}, Analiz Rodriguez^{1,*}, and David T. Chang². Foreign Body Reaction to Biomaterials. *Semin Immunol.* 2008 April ; 20(2): 86–100.

⁴³ Eth.Mesh.12831405.

⁴⁴ Eth.Mesh.15955438-15955473.

⁴⁵ ETH.MESH.15958452, ETH.MESH.15406978, ETH.MESH.15958470

⁴⁶ ETH.MESH.1595843

⁴⁷ Zhao AH, McNally AK, et al. Human plasma δ 2-macroglobulin promotes *in vitro* oxidative stress cracking of Pellethane 2363-80A: *In vivo* and *in vitro* correlations. *J Biomed Mater Res* (1993) 27: 379-389

hypothesis by performing TEM analysis of known oxidized Prolene samples. Another memo dated November 13, 1984, reported that Prolene microcracks were evaluated by Attenuated Total Reflectance (ATR) and FTIR.⁴⁸ These studies found that the cracked Prolene surface is a composite of oxidized polypropylene and adsorbed protein. Surface protein was removed with Soluene treatment, but adsorbed protein remained in the microcracks. Thus, the November 13, 1984 memo by Dan Burkley concludes that the cracked layer contained both oxidized Prolene as well as protein.

In 1985, a series of experiments was proposed, including microscopic FTIR, TEM, and histology, to determine the clinical functionality of cracked sutures, the cracking mechanism, and effects of antioxidant concentration.⁴⁹ Dr. Moy further noted that laboratory experiments had not yet replicated the cracking observed in explants, and proposed a systematic evaluation of explanted Prolene sutures.

In 1987, Professor Guidoin provided Ethicon with his explanted sutures, which had been cleaned using a bleach solution as explained in Mr. Burkley's laboratory notebook.⁵⁰ SEM images of sutures explanted after 8 years revealed evidence of severe cracking. Another cohort of explanted sutures was scraped with a needle and the scrapings tested by calorimetry and FTIR. The waxy scrapings showed a melting point of 147 – 156°C, which is comparable to that of degraded Prolene. Non-degraded Prolene melts over the range 155 – 165°C. Scrapings were also melted on a KBr window to obtain FTIR spectra, which showed peaks associated with β -keto esters known to be formed during PP oxidation. Mr. Burkley noted in his notebook and memo that “no protein species or peptide bonds were suggested.” A memo reporting on a follow-up meeting confirmed the findings that no protein was found on the surface and that Prolene degradation occurred on the surface of the fibers.⁵¹ Several follow-up studies were proposed, including investigating the relationship between antioxidant concentration and polypropylene degradation and cracking. However, to my knowledge these studies were not performed.

In 1991, a 91-day rat subcutaneous implantation study was performed to assess the tissue reaction for several PP-based surgical meshes, including the Prolene mesh used in the SUI and POP devices.⁵² All meshes, including Prolene and Prolene Soft, showed evidence of chronic inflammation at 7 and 91 days. Drs. Barbolt and Hutchinson concluded that all meshes showed evidence of a mild inflammatory reaction and infiltration of connective tissue. Furthermore, images of histological sections revealed evidence of adherent macrophages on the surface of the Prolene fibers.

As noted above, Ethicon researchers sought to replicate the surface cracking of Prolene sutures in an *in vitro* experiment. In the 1990s, the effects of the foreign body reaction on biomedical implants were first elucidated. All implantable medical devices are susceptible to the dynamic nature of the environment in which they are implanted. Environmental stress cracking of implanted biomaterials is controlled by three factors: (1) residual stress in the biomaterial, (2) a source of chemical degradation in the body, and (3) the chemical structure of the biomaterial.⁵³ Poly(ether urethane)s used as pacemaker lead insulation are an example of how oxidation of an implanted biomaterial can lead to Environmental Stress

⁴⁸ ETHMESH15958336

⁴⁹ ETHMESH15958445

⁵⁰ Eth.Mesh.00000367, Eth.Mesh.12831391

⁵¹ Eth.Mesh.12831407

⁵² Eth.Mesh. 02319001, eth.mesh.01425079

⁵³ Anderson et al. Cellular interactions with biomaterials: in vivo cracking of pre-stressed Pellethane 2363-80A. JBMR 24: 621-37, 1990.

Cracking (ESC) and device failure. While poly(ether urethane) elastomers were believed to be biocompatible for many years, they are now known to undergo ESC due to oxidative degradation of the polyether component and subsequent loss in molecular weight.⁵⁴ As shown in Figure 8, adherent macrophages and FBCGs were responsible for environmental stress cracking of poly(ether urethane)s *in vivo*.⁵⁵ A later study found that *in vivo* stress cracking of this poly(ether urethane) was reproduced *in vitro* by treating pre-stressed polymer specimens with an oxidative medium (10% hydrogen peroxide with 0.10 M cobalt chloride).⁵⁶ The cobalt chloride catalyzes the decomposition of the hydrogen peroxide to form hydroxyl radicals, a form of ROS that attacks the polymer. Under these conditions simulating the isolated microenvironment between the surface of the biomaterial and the cell, *in vitro* stress cracking was similar in appearance to that observed *in vivo*. Furthermore, infrared spectroscopy showed that ROS participated in the oxidative degradation process.⁵⁷ Thus, oxidative degradation and environmental stress cracking have a synergistic effect on the failure of poly(ether urethane) catheter lead insulation, by which oxidative degradation drives the embrittlement of the polymer surface and its subsequent cracking, which in turn exposes new surfaces of the material to oxidative degradation and ultimately clinical device failure.⁵⁸ Similar to poly(ether urethane)s, PP is susceptible to oxidation, which results in chain scission, loss of ductility (e.g., embrittlement),⁵⁹ and degradation, such as pitting, peeling, and cracking⁶⁰. Embrittlement occurs at a very low conversion in the chain scission process, and surface embrittlement of the PP fibers leads to crack initiation. Mechanical stress on the fibers will in turn enhance stress cracking and expose new PP surface to the oxidative environment. I have published two papers in the scientific journal *Biomaterials*, one in 2011 and one in 2014, using the same 20% H₂O₂ /0.1 M cobalt chloride system to measure the oxidative degradation rate of poly(ester urethane) and poly(thioketal urethane) scaffolds. Thus, this *in vitro* oxidative degradation test is well established in the scientific literature and was available to Ethicon at the time it developed the SUI and POP devices. However, it was not done.

Ethicon has also been made aware of the problem with PP in the context of an implantable medical device through the Material Safety Data Sheet that PP is incompatible with strong oxidizers. PP is known to be degraded when exposed to reactive oxygen species, which are produced by a body reaction.

⁵⁴ *Id.*

⁵⁵ Zhao et al. JBMR 24:621, 1990.

⁵⁶ Zhao et al. JBMR 27:379-89, 1993.

⁵⁷ Wiggins MJ, Wilkoff B, Anderson JM, Hiltner A. Biodegradation of polyether polyurethane inner insulation in bipolar pacemaker leads. J Biomed Mater Res 2001;58(3):302-7

⁵⁸ James M. Anderson^{1,2,*}, Analiz Rodriguez^{1,*}, and David T. Chang². Foreign Body Reaction to Biomaterials. Semin Immunol. 2008 April ; 20(2): 86-100.

⁵⁹ Fayolle et al. Initial steps and embrittlement in the thermal oxidation of stabilized polypropylene films. Polym Degrad Stability 75:123-9, 2002

⁶⁰ VV Iakovlev, ET Carey, J Steege. Pathology of Explanted Transvaginal Meshes. Int. J. Medical, Health, Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Eng. 8(9):510-513, 2014

⁶¹ ETH.MESH.05439518

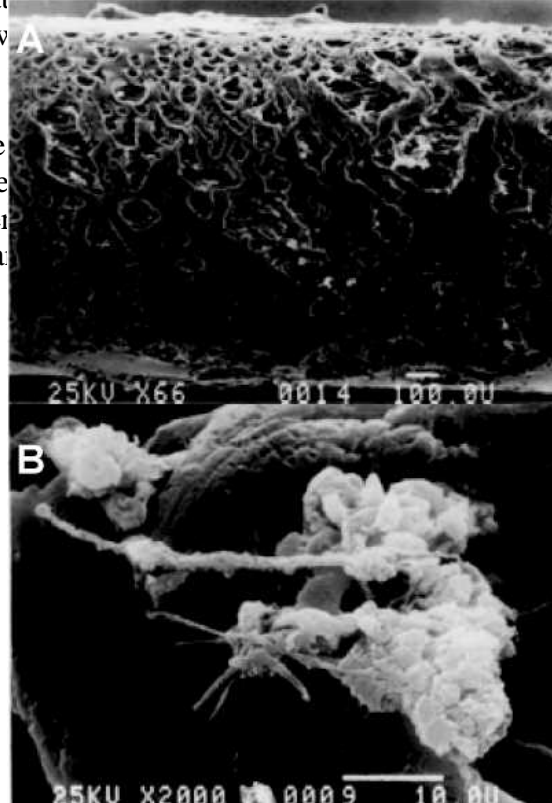


Figure 8. (A) SEM photograph of pre-stressed Pellethane 80A specimen implanted for 5 weeks. The specimen had severe cracking. Original magnification x66. (B) SEM photograph (at higher magnification) of pre-stressed Pellethane 80A specimen implanted for 5 weeks. Cellular adhesion was present. Original magnification x2000. From Zhao et al. JBMR 24:621, 1990.

The report from Mesh Repair of Uterovaginal Prolapse meeting in May 1997 noted that an ideal mesh would have lower density compared to that of the TVT to minimize the foreign body reaction.⁶² Similar concerns were noted in a discussion document for the design of new mesh for prolapse repair, in which it was noted that the mesh used in the TVT is not the ideal material for anterior prolapse, and that the amount of foreign body should be minimized to reduce the risk of complications.⁶³

The hernia literature also provides evidence that the foreign body reaction alters polypropylene *in vivo*. In a study evaluating non-degradable meshes explanted from 17 patients that had surgery for repair of abdominal wall defects, a foreign body reaction characterized by granulation tissue and inflammatory cells 3 – 24 months post-implantation was seen.⁶⁴ The PP meshes from this study showed more inflammatory cells and fibroblasts near the mesh interface when compared to PTFE and polyester.

Despite internal and published studies to the contrary, Ethicon documents further indicate that their sales force was instructed to "[r]eassure [surgeons] that PROLENE is proven to be inert and there are hundreds of papers going back 25 years to reinforce this point."⁶⁵ However, Daniel F. Burkley, a Principal Scientist at Ethicon, testified that in his 34 years at the company, he was only familiar with one study that was conducted regarding the changes that occurred due to oxidative degradation of explanted polypropylene suture or mesh.⁶⁶ Mr. Burkley also testified that this study showed that changes due to oxidation were still progressing after seven years of implantation.⁶⁷

7) PP mesh is not inert and its properties change after implantation, which can lead to adverse events in an implantee; using heavy-weight mesh directly correlates to more PP being exposed to the foreign body reaction and greater changes after implantation, which increases the risk of complications.

The literature has confirmed that the properties of PP mesh change after implantation, causing adverse events like, pain, scarring and inflammation. In addition, Ethicon employees and consultants, both before and after the TVT was launched, have noted that heavy-weight meshes like the TVT comprise significantly more polypropylene than sutures or light-weight meshes, and therefore the foreign body reaction and resulting changes on the surface of the TVT device will be much greater than that for a lightweight mesh or a non-load bearing suture.⁶⁸ These findings are supported by the conclusions drawn by external consultants and Ethicon employees, as well as the available scientific literature reporting PP oxidation in response to cell-secreted ROS and complications associated with the mesh used in the TVT.⁶⁹

⁶² Eth.Mesh.12006257

⁶³ Eth.Mesh.12009027

⁶⁴ Foreign Body Reaction to Meshes Used for the Repair of Abdominal Wall Hernias. U. Klinge,1,3 B. Klosterhalfen,2,3 M. Müller1 and V. Schumpelick1. Eur J Surg 1999; 165: 665–673

⁶⁵ ETH.MESH. 00865322

⁶⁶ Burkley Deposition 05/23/2013 P.312:23-313:24

⁶⁷ Burkley Deposition 05/23/2013 P.315:8-13

⁶⁸ Are Meshes With Lightweight Construction Strong Enough?; Jorge L. Holste; ETHICON GmbH, R&D Europe, D-22841, Norderstedt, Germany; J. Otto, E. Kaldenhoff, R. Kirschner-Hermanns, T. Muhl, U. Klinge. W.S. Cobb, K.W. Kercher, and B.T. Heniford. The Argument for Lightweight Polypropylene Mesh in Hernia Repair Surg Innov. Mar;12(1):63-9 (2005)

⁶⁹ Eth.Mesh.05479411, Eth.Mesh.07192929, Eth.Mesh.07192412.

More recently, Wood et al. published a comparison of three different explanted synthetic meshes (polypropylene, expanded polytetrafluoroethylene (ePTFE), and polyethylene terephthalate (PET)) from a single patient who had undergone three recurrent ventral hernia repairs.⁷⁰ Implantation times for the meshes were 3 years for the PP and PET meshes and 2 years for the ePTFE mesh. SEM images of explanted PP mesh “showed significant surface cracking” while the PET and ePTFE meshes did not. FTIR analysis also confirmed PP degradation from “free radical formation and oxidation of the polypropylene mesh while *in vivo*.”

The Wood study supports the conclusions published by Clavé et al., which examined explanted pelvic meshes for degradation. Clavé reported that 42% of the explants showed evidence of chronic inflammation, characterized by an infiltrate of mononuclear cells and FGBCs. SEM analysis revealed that the implants were degraded, and that degradation was observed in meshes that had been implanted for at least 3 months.⁷¹

The findings of the Clavé study findings reinforced work done by Costello et al., who reported PP mesh oxidation and embrittlement as being a cause of mesh degradation and complications *in vivo*.⁷² Costello derived his conclusions from comparisons made between pristine and explanted samples via molecular weight, SEM imaging, and compliance testing. Those authors reported that all three of these methods confirmed that PP mesh had degraded *in vivo*, most likely by oxidation.⁷³

Another study investigated 14 explanted hernia mesh samples observed by SEM that 85% of the samples showed evidence of cracking, fissures, and peeling.⁷⁴ After host tissue was removed, the mesh samples remained folded and contracted, evidencing that mesh samples were permanently changed after implantation.

In a 2015 study I co-authored with Dr. Vladimir Iakovlev analyzing 164 explanted PP pelvic meshes, we reported the presence of adherent inflammatory cells expressing the oxidative enzyme myeloperoxidase, degradation of polypropylene, and micro-cracking near the surface of the polypropylene fibers. Degradation of explanted meshes was observed as early as 18 months.⁷⁵ Similar findings were reported by Mays et al., who observed oxidative degradation and transverse cracking of explanted PP pelvic mesh.⁷⁶

Most importantly, these studies linked complaints of chronic pain and sclerosis to the foreign body reaction to implanted PP mesh and the consequent degradation and micro-

⁷⁰ Wood, A.J., et al. *Materials Characterization and Histological Analysis of Explanted Polypropylene, PTFE, and PET hernia meshes from an Individual Patient*. J. MATER. SCI. MATER. MED. 24(4): 1113-1122 (2013).

⁷¹ Polypropylene as a reinforcement in pelvic surgery is not inert: comparative analysis of 100 explants. Int Urogynecol J (2010) 21:261-270

⁷² Characterization of heavyweight and lightweight polypropylene prosthetic mesh explants from a single patient. Surg Innov. 14:168-176 Costello CR, Bachman SL, Grant SA, Cleveland DS, Loy TS, Ramshaw BJ (2007); Materials characterization of explanted polypropylene hernia meshes. J Biomed Mater Costello CR, Bachman SL, Grant SA (2007) Res Part B: Appl Biomater 83B:44-49

⁷³ *Id.*

⁷⁴ Materials characterization of explanted polypropylene hernia meshes. J Biomed Mater. Res Part B: Appl Biomater 83B:44-49

⁷⁵ VV Iakovlev, SA Guelcher, R Bendavid. In vivo degradation of polypropylene: microscopic analysis of meshes explanted from 130 patients. Journal of Applied Biomedical Materials Research B: Applied Biomaterials, 2015 Aug 28 doi: 10.1002/jbm.b.33502

⁷⁶ A Imel, T Malmgren, M Dadmun, S. Gido, J Mays. In vivo oxidative degradation of polypropylene pelvic mesh. Biomaterials 73:131-141, 2015.

cracking near the surface of PP fibers. These principles also apply to PP particles shed from the mesh during implantation, which is consistent with the testimony of Ethicon medical director Piet Hinoul that when particle loss occurs during implantation, the released particles result in inflammation that can cause pain.⁷⁷

Large animal models, such as sheep, enable evaluation of PP mesh at longer time points and under conditions more representative of the clinical environment for SUI and POP repair.⁷⁸ A pilot study evaluated Prolene mesh implanted vaginally in sheep at 6 and 12 weeks.⁷⁹ The incidence of vaginal erosion was observed to be 33%. Macrophages and foreign body giant cells were also observed at 12 weeks. Two more recent studies have investigated differences between PP meshes implanted vaginally and abdominally using a sheep model.⁸⁰ PP mesh implanted vaginally showed more contraction and exposures, which are both mesh-related complications, than mesh implanted abdominally.⁸¹ The authors further noted that the 15% incidence of vaginal exposures in all animals was comparable to that observed clinically, and found that mesh-related complications can be induced by vaginal mesh implantation. Contraction and folding, which have also been associated clinically with pain,⁸² were also observed to be higher for vaginally implanted mesh compared to that implanted abdominally. In a follow-up study, the same authors investigated the effects of a collagen coating on mesh complications and made similar findings.⁸³ Vaginal exposures were observed in 33%, while no abdominal exposures were observed. Macrophages and foreign body giant cells were observed at 60 and 180 days in both vaginal and abdominal meshes. These findings led the authors to conclude that the sheep is an effective model to study complications of vaginal mesh. They further noted that the differential wound healing response and mechanical forces between the vaginal and abdominal wall environments may be responsible for the differences in mesh-related complications between the two implantation sites. Ethicon could have performed a similar sheep study at any time before or after the launch of its any of its mesh products to investigate the incidence of similar mesh-related complications. However, to my knowledge these studies have not been done.

⁷⁷ Trial Testimony of Piet Hinoul, Batiste v. Ethicon, page 26-28

⁷⁸ Feola A, Endo M, Urbankova I, et al. Host reaction to vaginally inserted collagen containing polypropylene implants in sheep. *Am J Obstet Gynecol* 2015;212:474.e1-8.

⁷⁹ de Tayrac R1, Alves A, Thérin M.; *Int Urogynecol J Pelvic Floor Dysfunct.* 2007 May;18(5):513-20. Epub 2006 Aug 29. Collagen-coated vs noncoated low-weight polypropylene meshes in a sheep model for vaginal surgery. A pilot study.

⁸⁰ BJOG. 2013 Jan;120(2):244-50. doi:10.1111/1471-0528.12081. Graft-related complications and biaxial tensiometry following experimental vaginal implantation of flat mesh of variable dimensions. Manodoro S1, Endo M, Uvin P, Albersen M, Vlácil J, Engels A, Schmidt B, De Ridder D, Feola A, Deprest J. This study used Gynemesh M, which has polyglecaprone (not sure what this is) fibers that resorb; *Am J Obstet Gynecol.* 2015 Apr;212(4):474.e1-8. doi: 10.1016/j.ajog.2014.11.008. Epub 2014 Nov 8. Host reaction to vaginally inserted collagen containing polypropylene implants in sheep. Feola A, Endo M, Urbankova I, Vlácil J, Deprest J, Bettin S, Klosterhalfen B, Deprest J. This study used Bard meshes, one of which was coated with collagen.

⁸¹ Deprest BJOG 2013

⁸² Haylen BT, Freeman RM, Swift SE, Cosson M, Davila GW, Deprest J, et al. An International Urogynecological Association (IUGA)/ International Continence Society (ICS) joint terminology and classification of the complications related directly to the insertion of prostheses (meshes, implants, tapes) and grafts in female pelvic floor surgery. *Neurourol Urodyn* 2011;30:2-12.

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Ethicon documents indicate that the company was aware of the Costello article in 2007, but never considered the effect of PP oxidation during these meshes design or product lifecycle. An Ethicon Medical Affairs employee, Tom Divilio, M.D., indicated that the Costello authors were "challenging our perception of polypropylene as an 'inert' material after implantation." He went on to note that "I think it's important that we understand what they are seeing as this group has a well-funded lab that will be looking at explanted mesh in great volume over the next couple of years and our current concepts are going to be challenged. Would appreciate it if we could think of some study designs that would confirm or refute their assumptions."⁸⁴ In 2012, Ethicon responded to a request by a British regulatory agency to explain how the 2010 publication by Clave et al impacts the performance of their products.⁸⁵ In this document, Ethicon noted "[we] are not aware of any findings that would impact the clinical performance of polypropylene monofilament"⁸⁶, and that "[p]olymers may be subject to surface degradation by these reactive species, the impact of which has not been clinically assessed."⁸⁷

In summary, Ethicon scientists reported evidence of chronic inflammation, oxidation, and degradation (micro-cracking) of Prolene in preclinical studies and in human explants. These observations are consistent with the known susceptibility of polypropylene to oxidation outside the body, the known effects of the foreign body reaction on implanted biomaterials, and published studies on explanted PP mesh.⁸⁸ Despite the fact that Ethicon scientists recommended additional testing to confirm or exclude the oxidation mechanism, I have found no evidence that these tests (which were available to Ethicon during development of the SUI and POP devices) were performed. Consequently, the risks inherent to Prolene oxidation and degradation are detrimental to all of those who have been implanted with the SUI and POP devices.

⁸⁴ ETH.MESH. 05588123

⁸⁵ ETH.MESH. 07226481

⁸⁶ Id

⁸⁷ Id

⁸⁸ VV Iakovlev*, SA Guelcher, R Bendavid. In vivo degradation of polypropylene: microscopic analysis of meshes explanted from 130 patients. *Journal of Applied Biomedical Materials Research B: Applied Biomaterials*, In Press

FACTS OR DATA CONSIDERED IN FORMING OPINIONS

The opinions and the bases for those opinions are set forth above. In addition to my knowledge, skill training and experience as an engineer, the following depositions of Ethicon employees and the exhibits thereto were supplied to me: Cliff Volpe, Piet Hinoul, David Robinson, Sunny Rah, Aaron Kirkemo, Sean O'Bryan, Scott Ciarrocca, Vincenza Zaddem, Elizabeth Vailhe, Christophe Vailhe, Joerg Holste, Boris Batke, Daniel Burkley, Thomas Barbolt, Brigitte Hellhammer, Juergen Trzewik, Martin Weisberg, Axel Arnaud, Dan Smith, Prof Thomas Muehl, Dr. Bernd Klosterhalfen, Kevin Ong, Whenxin Zheng, Daniel Sexton, and Jeffrey Brent.

I have also considered the following material identified in Exhibit B.

In addition, the following reports were supplied to me: Dr. Howard Jordi, Dr. Russell Dunn, Prof Thomas Muehl, Prof. Bernd Klosterhalfen, Thomas Barbolt, Dr. Wenxin Zheng, and B. Todd Heniford, M.D. The findings of these experts are consistent with my opinions.

COMPENSATION

A fee sheet has been attached as Exhibit C.

LISTING OF CASES IN WHICH TESTIMONY HAS BEEN GIVEN IN THE LAST FOUR YEARS

- IN RE PELVIC MESH AMS LITIGATION, SERRANO ET AL – SEPTEMBER 2013
- IN RE PELVIC MESH ETHICON LITIGATION, HUSKEY ET AL. - MARCH 2014
- IN RE PELVIC MESH BOSTON SCIENTIFIC LITIGATION, ALBRIGHT ET AL – JULY 2014
- IN RE PELVIC MESH BOSTON SCIENTIFIC LITIGATION, CARDENAS ET AL – AUGUST 2014
- IN RE PELVIC MESH ETHICON LITIGATION, HUSKEY ET AL – AUGUST 2014
- IN RE PELVIC MESH BOSTON SCIENTIFIC LITIGATION, BARBA ET AL - FEBRUARY 2014
- IN RE PELVIC MESH BARD LITIGATION, CORRIVEAU ET AL – NOVEMBER 2014
- IN RE PELVIC MESH BOSTON SCIENTIFIC LITIGATION, FRANKUM ET AL – DECEMBER 2014
- IN RE PELVIC MESH ETHICON LITIGATION, PERRY - DECEMBER 2014

- IN RE PELVIC MESH ETHICON LITIGATION, PERRY – JANUARY 2015
- IN RE PELVIC MESH BOSTON SCIENTIFIC LITIGATION, BARBA ET AL - MAY 2015
- IN RE PELVIC MESH AMS LITIGATION, KILGORE ET AL - FEBRUARY 2015
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3 Research Support

CURRENT AND COMPLETED EXTRAMURAL RESEARCH SUPPORT

Principal Investigator

1. EPA Science-to-Achieve-Results Graduate Fellowship (STAR) (Chiang) 09/01/1995 – 08/31/1996
 “A Hydrodynamic Model for a Multi-stage Loop-flow Flotation Column”
 Amount: \$30,000/yr (up to 2 years)
 Source: EPA
 Investigators: SA Guelcher (Student), S-H Chiang (MS Thesis Advisor)
 Salary support: 100%

2. NASA Graduate Student Researchers Program (GSRP) 07/01/1997 – 08/01/1999
“Investigating the Mechanism of Aggregation of Colloidal Particles during Electrophoretic Deposition”
Amount: \$24,000/yr (up to 3 years)
Source: NASA
Investigators: SA Guelcher (Student), JL Anderson (PhD Advisor)
Salary support: 100%
3. NSF Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) Phase I 07/01/2002 – 12/31/2002
“Innovative Recovery of Natural Beta-Carotene from the Marine Alga *Dunaliella salina*”
Amount: \$100,000
Investigators: JS Kanel (JS Kanel & Associates, PI), SA Guelcher (Col)
Salary support: 0%
4. Corporate Grant (Guelcher) 01/19/2006 – 03/01/2006
“Resorbable Polyurethanes for Orthopedic Applications”
Amount: \$30,000
Source: Osteotech, Inc.
Investigators: SA Guelcher (PI)
Salary support: 0%
5. W81XWH-06-1-0654USAMED (Guelcher) 08/01/2006 – 08/01/2007
“Controlled delivery of BMP-2 with poly(ester urethane urea) scaffolds”
Amount: \$70,000
Source: DOD/U.S. Army Institute for Surgical Research
Investigators: SA Guelcher (PI)
Salary support: 0%
6. W81XWH-07-1-0211 (Guelcher) 02/01/2007 – 01/31/2013
“Orthopaedic Trauma Research Program. Improved healing of infected segmental bone defects through controlled delivery of FGF-2, PDGF, and tobramycin”
Amount: \$2,088,794
Source: DOD/USAMRAA
Investigators: SA Guelcher (PI), JC Wenke (Co-Investigator, USAISR)
Salary support: 10%
7. DMR-0847711 (Guelcher) 07/01/2009 – 06/30/2014
“CAREER: Bioactive Weight-Bearing Bone/Polymer Composites”
Amount: \$500,000
Source: NSF/BMAT
Investigator: SA Guelcher (PI)
Salary support: 0%
5. DSR #20972 (Guelcher) 08/15/2009 – 08/14/2011
“Development of an Injectable Bone Void Filler and Bioresorbable Bone Cement”
Amount: \$70,694
Source: Osteotech, Inc. (now Metronic Sofamek Danor)
Investigator: SA Guelcher (PI)
Salary support: 2.8%
6. DMR-1006558 (Guelcher) 09/01/2010 – 08/31/2014

“A New Class of Biomaterials Programmed to Regulate Host Body Responses”

Amount: \$168,426 to Guelcher lab (\$272,520 total)

Source: NSF/DMR

Investigators: SA Guelcher (PI), HJ Sung (CoPI)

Salary support: 2.8%

7. R01 CA163499 (Guelcher) 09/01/2012 – 06/30/2017
“The Role of Mechanotransduction in Progression of Tumor-induced Bone Disease”
Amount: \$726,875 to Guelcher lab (\$1,548,965 total award)
Source: NIH/NCI
Investigators: SA Guelcher (Administrative Multi PI), JA Sterling (Multi PI)
Salary support: 8%
8. R01 AR3494768 (Guelcher) 04/15/2013 – 03/31/2017
“Injectable Weight-Bearing Bone Grafts for Healing of Tibial Plateau Fractures”
Amount: \$1,066,452
Source: NIH/NIAMS
Investigators: SA Guelcher (Administrative Multi PI), JC Wenke (USAISR, Multi PI)
Salary support: 7%
9. VU-CIP 20972 (Guelcher) 06/26/2013 – 06/25/2014
“Development of an Injectable Bone Void Filler and Bioresorbable Bone Cement”
Amount: \$74,346
Source: Kinetic Concepts, Inc.
Investigators: SA Guelcher (PI), Lillian Nanney (Co-Investigator), Jeff Davidson (Co-Investigator)
Salary support: 2%
10. VU-CIP 10228-13 (Guelcher) 04/02/2013 – 12/31/2014
“PEURegen e-Team”
Amount: \$20,015
Source: NCIAA (now Venture Well)
Investigators: SA Guelcher (PI), AJ Harmata (Student investigator)
Salary support: 0%
11. VU-CIP 20972 (Guelcher) 04/02/2013 – 12/31/2014
“Development of an injectable bone void filler and bioresorbable bone cement”
Amount: \$27,833
Source: Medtronic, Inc.
Investigators: SA Guelcher (PI)
Salary support: None
12. R01 AR064772 (Guelcher) 04/01/2014 – 03/31/2019
“Biofilm Dispersive Bone Grafts to Improve Healing of Contaminated Fractures”
Amount: \$1,838,020
Source: NIH/NIAMS
Investigators: SA Guelcher (Administrative Multi PI), JC Wenke (Multi PI, USAISR), F Elefteriou (Co-I, VUMC)
Salary support: 10%
13. T32 DK101003 (Guelcher) 08/01/2014 – 07/31/2019
“Integrated Training in Engineering and Diabetes”
Amount: \$2,353,538

Source: NIH/NIDDK
 Role: PI
 Salary support: 2%

Role other than Principal Investigator

14. W81XWH0420031 (Kohn, Rutgers University) 08/01/2005 – 07/01/2010
 “A resorbable poly(ester urethane)/bone composite intramedullary rod for fracture fixation”
 Amount: \$312,859 to Guelcher lab from Rutgers
 Source: DOD/USAMRAA-Center for Military Biomaterials Research (Subcontract from Rutgers University DOD-2110-PO5-694362)
 Role: Project Leader (PI on Vanderbilt subcontract)
 Salary support: 0%

15. R21 AR051945 (Goldstein, Va Tech) 08/10/2005 – 08/09/2007
 “High-modulus Polyurethanes for Bone Tissue Engineering”
 Amount: \$124,641 to Guelcher lab from Va Tech (\$342,345 total award)
 Source: NIH/NIAMS
 Role: Co-Investigator (PI on Vanderbilt subcontract)
 Salary support: 0%

16. W81XWH0820034 (Kohn, Rutgers University) 03/15/2008 – 06/30/2014
 “Reconstruction and Regeneration of the Craniofacial Complex”
 Amount: \$898,624 to Guelcher lab from Rutgers (\$90,000,000 total award)
 Source: DOD/Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine
 Role: Project Leader (PI on Vanderbilt Subcontract)
 Salary support: 4%

17. W81XWH0820034 (Kohn, Rutgers University) 03/15/2008 – 06/30/2014
 “Expedited Commercialization of an Injectable Allograft Bone/Polymer Composite as a Treatment for Open Fractures”
 Amount: \$482,746 to Guelcher lab from Rutgers (\$7,000,000 total award)
 Source: DOD/Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine
 Role: Project Leader (PI on Vanderbilt subcontract)
 Salary support: 4%

18. P50 CA098131 (Arteaga, VUMC) 07/01/2008 – 06/30/2013
 “SPORE in Breast Cancer”
 Amount: \$15,097 to Guelcher lab in Year 1 (\$2,500,000 total Year 1) (participated for 1 year)
 Source: NIH/NCI
 Role: Co-investigator on bone project
 Salary support: 0%

19. R01 AR056138 (Davidson, VUMC) 09/01/2009 – 06/30/2015
 “Skin regeneration with stem cells and scaffolds”
 Amount: \$466,543 to Guelcher lab from VUMC
 Source: NIH/NIAMS
 Role: Multi PI
 Salary support: 5%

20. VUMC Corporate Grant (Nanney, VUMC) 02/01/2011 – 01/31/2012
 “Development of Bioresorbable Polyurethanes as Foam Dressings”

Source: Kinetic Concepts, Inc.
 Amount: \$75,000 to Guelcher lab (\$149,104 total)
 Role: Co-investigator
 Salary support: 5.6%

21. U01 CA143059 (Weaver, VUMC) 03/01/2011 – 02/28/2016
 “Multiscale Modeling of Tumor-ECM interactions in Breast Cancer”
 Amount: \$79,235 to Guelcher lab from VUMC (\$2,451,394 total),
 Source: NIH/NCI
 Role: Co-investigator
 Salary support: 3.3%
22. R21 EB012750 (Duvall, VUSE) 08/01/2011 – 06/30/2014
 “Injectable Scaffold for Efficient, Tunable siRNA Delivery to Skin Wounds”
 Amount: \$15,000 to Guelcher lab from BME (\$417,632 total)
 Source: NIH/NIBIB
 Role: Co-investigator
 Salary support: 2.8%
23. W81XWH1420004 (Atala, Wake Forest Inst. of Regenerative Medicine) 01/01/2014 – 12/31/2019
 “Injectable, Settable Bone Grafts for Reconstruction of Weight-bearing Craniofacial Bone Defects with Augmentation using Recombinant Human Growth Factors”
 Amount: \$839,188 to Guelcher lab from WFIRM (\$75,000,000 total)
 Source: DOD/Armed Forces Institute of Regenerative Medicine II
 Role: Project Leader (PI on Vanderbilt Subcontract)
 Salary support: 2.1%
24. BC141789P1 (Sterling/Duvall) 09/01/2015 – 08/31/2018
 “Developing nanoparticle drug delivery strategies for inhibiting breast cancer- induced bone destruction”
 Amount: \$2,000,000
 Source: : CDMRP/BCRP
 Role: Co-investigator
 Salary support: 2.1%

CURRENT AND COMPLETED INTRAMURAL RESEARCH SUPPORT

Principal Investigator at Vanderbilt

1. Breast Cancer SPORE (Pilot Project) 09/01/2007 – 09/01/2008
 “The role of extracellular matrix properties in the behavior of osteolytic breast cancer cells”
 Amount: \$50,000
 Source: NIH/NCI CA0998131-05
 Role: PI
 Collaborators: JA Sterling, JS Nyman
 Salary support: 0%

Role other than Principal Investigator at Vanderbilt

2. VU Central Discovery Grant Program (Dickerson) 06/01/2006 – 05/31/2008
 “In situ Observation of the Electric Field-Assisted Assembly of Nanocrystal Monolayers on Conducting Electrodes”
 Amount: \$100,000

Role: Co-investigator
Salary support: 0%

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS RECEIVED BY STUDENTS

Graduate Students

Elizabeth Adolph

GAANN Fellowship
P.E.O. Scholar Award

Ushashi Dadwal

Schlumberger Future Faculty Fellowship

Madison McEnery

ORISE Research Fellowship
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship

Margarita Prieto

Dissertation Enhancement Award
Best Student Paper, Bone-Tec conference

Anne Talley

GAANN Fellowship

PENDING PROPOSALS

1. NIH/NCI
“Local Delivery of Hedgehog Pathway Inhibitors to Prevent Head and Neck Cancer Recurrence and Bony Invasion”
Budget: \$1,250,000 (direct)
Personnel: JA Sterling (Administrative Multi PI), SA Guelcher (Multi PI)
Offset: 15%
Status: Pending
Submitted: 10/05/15
Period: 8/01/06 – 7/31/08
2. DOD/PRMRP
“Development of an Injectable, Settable, Resorbable Nanoceramic/Polymer Composite Bone Void Filler for Repair of Critical-Size Bony Defects”
Budget: \$2,071,251
Personnel: SA Guelcher (PI), JC Wenke (Partnering PI), KN Kalpakci (Partnering PI)
Offset: 15%
Status: Pending
Submitted: 10/15/15
Period: 10/01/16 – 9/30/19
3. NSF/BME
“A 3D Bioreactor Model to Investigate Interactions between Cells and the Bone Microenvironment and Predict Drug Response”
Budget: \$328,941
Personnel: SA Guelcher (PI), JA Sterling (Co-Investigator)
Offset: 0%
Status: Pending

Submitted: 10/20/15
 Period: 7/01/16 - 6/30/19

4. NSF/BMAT

“Bioactive Nanocrystalline Hydroxyapatite/Poly(thioketal Urethane) Inorganic-Organic Hybrid Polymers for Healing of Weight-Bearing Bone Defects”

Budget: \$333,126

Personnel: SA Guelcher (PI), JA Sterling (Co-Investigator)

Offset: 0%

Status: Pending

Submitted: 11/02/15

Period: 7/01/16 - 6/30/19

5. NIH/NCI Research Centers for Cancer Systems Biology Consortium (U54)

Center PIs: V Quaranta (VUMC Cancer Biology), T Yankeelov (Univ. of Texas)

Project 1: “Combining 3D and Computational Models to Investigate Microenvironmental Heterogeneity of Bone Metastases”

Budget: \$1,500,000 (direct)

Personnel: SA Guelcher (Project Multi PI), JA Sterling (Project Multi PI)

Offset: 1 month

Status: Pending

Submitted: 11/20/15

Period: 10/01/16 – 9/30/21

4 Lectures

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

1. **SA Guelcher**, E de Beer, JL Anderson. Investigating the Mechanism of Aggregation of Colloidal Particles during Electrophoretic Deposition. Philips Research Laboratories, Eindhoven, The Netherlands, May 1998.
2. **SA Guelcher**, E de Beer, JL Anderson. Investigating the Mechanism of Aggregation of Colloidal Particles during Electrophoretic Deposition. Wageningen Agricultural University, The Netherlands, May 1998.
3. **SA Guelcher**, YuE Solomentsev, JL Anderson. Investigating the Mechanism of Aggregation of Colloidal Particles during Electrophoretic Deposition. Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, April 1999.
4. **SA Guelcher**, JS Kanel. Commercial Production of Biological Products from Marine Algae: Green Technology for Vitamins. West Virginia EPSCoR: The New Blueprint for Science and Technology, Ninth Annual Conference, January 28 – 29, 2002.
5. **SA Guelcher**, JO Hollinger. Orthopedic Biomaterials. 7th New Jersey Center for Biomaterials Symposium, New Brunswick, NJ, October 20 – 22, 2004.
6. **SA Guelcher**. Design of polyurethane biomaterials for orthopaedic clinical indications. Seminar presented at Clemson University, January 13, 2005.
7. **SA Guelcher**. Design of polyurethane biomaterials for orthopaedic clinical indications. Seminar presented at Auburn University, February 4, 2005.
8. **SA Guelcher**. Design of polyurethane biomaterials for orthopaedic clinical indications. Seminar presented at Carnegie Mellon University, February 20, 2005.
9. **SA Guelcher**. Design of polyurethane biomaterials for orthopaedic clinical indications. Seminar presented at University of Wyoming, March 13, 2005.

10. **SA Guelcher**. Design of polyurethane biomaterials for orthopaedic clinical indications. Seminar presented at Virginia Tech, April 22, 2005.
11. **SA Guelcher**. Poly(ester urethane)urea biomaterials for bone tissue engineering. Presented to the Center for Matrix Biology seminar series, Vanderbilt University, May 31, 2006.
12. **SA Guelcher**. Toward a synthetic biomimetic extracellular matrix: scaffold fabrication from poly(ester urethane)ureas. Presented to the VICBC Seminar Series, Vanderbilt University, June 8, 2006.
13. **SA Guelcher**. Career choices in academics. Presented at the 2006 NIBIB Training Grantee Workshop, Washington, DC, June 16, 2006.
14. **SA Guelcher**. Biomaterials for the treatment of orthopaedic injuries. Presented at the Advanced Technology Applications for Combat Casualty Care (ATACCC) Conference, St Pete Beach, FL, August 14 – 16, 2006.
15. **SA Guelcher**. Design and development of allograft bone/polyurethane composites. Seminar presented at Osteotech, Inc., Eatontown, NJ, January 16, 2007.
16. **SA Guelcher**. Design and development of polyurethane biomaterials for orthopaedic clinical indications. Seminar presented at West Virginia University, March 9, 2007.
17. **SA Guelcher**, F Papay. Bioneer Surgical – Technology Summary. Presented to Jumpstart, Inc., Cleveland, OH, March 15, 2007.
18. J Kohn, **SA Guelcher**. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine. Seminar presented at the US Army Institute of Surgical Research, July 18, 2007.
19. **SA Guelcher**. Design and Development of Allograft Bone/Polyurethane Composites. Seminar presented at Osteotech, Inc., July 27, 2007.
20. **SA Guelcher**. Design and Development of Polyurethane Biomaterials for Orthopaedic Clinical Indications. Seminar Presented at Biomimetic Therapeutics, Inc., Franklin, TN, October 12, 2007.
21. **SA Guelcher**. Design and Development of Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds for Tissue Engineering. Seminar Presented at Tennessee Technological University, November 15, 2007.
22. **SA Guelcher**. Biomaterials for bone regeneration and healing. Seminar presented at Vanderbilt University Department of Biomedical Engineering, October 15, 2008.
23. **SA Guelcher**. Release of BMP-2 and Tobramycin from Injectable, Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds for Enhanced Bone Healing. Presented at the 9th New Jersey Symposium on Biomaterials Science and Regenerative Medicine, New Brunswick, NJ, October 29 – 31, 2008.
24. **SA Guelcher**. Developing a Dual-delivery Implant. Presented at the Extremity War Injuries V: Barriers to Return of Function and Duty, Washington, DC, January 27 – 29, 2010.
25. **SA Guelcher**. Polyurethane Scaffolds with Delivery of Biologically Active Molecules for Tissue Regeneration. Design of Medical Devices Conference, Minneapolis, MN, April 13 – 15, 2010.
26. **SA Guelcher**. Scaffolds and Drug Delivery Systems for Bone Regeneration. Seminar presented at University of Kentucky, October 6, 2010.
27. **SA Guelcher**. Matrix Rigidity Induces Osteolytic Gene Expression of Metastatic Breast Cancer Cells. Presented at Physics of Cancer Metastasis Meeting, Arlington, VA, November 1 – 2, 2010.
28. **SA Guelcher**. Scaffolds and Drug Delivery Systems for Bone Regeneration. Seminar presented at Cornell University, November 22, 2010.
29. **SA Guelcher**. Develop resorbable polyurethane/bone composite implants for fracture fixation and reconstruction of large cranio-orbital defects. AIBS Onsite Review of The Center for Military Biomaterials Research Program (CeMBR) at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Piscataway, NJ, December 14, 2010.
30. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable biocomposites for repair of craniofacial bone. Presented at the McGowan Institute of Regenerative Medicine Annual Retreat (University of Pittsburgh), Pittsburgh, PA, March, 2011.
31. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable biocomposites and drug delivery systems for bone regeneration. Seminar at the US Army Institute of Surgical Research, San Antonio, TX, May 11, 2011.
32. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable biocomposites for repair of craniofacial bone. AFIRM Traveling Exchange Program (TEP), Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ, July 12, 2011.

33. **SA Guelcher**. Low porosity injectable biocomposites incorporating rhBMP-2 enhance bone remodeling in a rabbit femoral plug model. ACS Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, August 28 - 31, 2011.
34. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable functional bone grafts. AFSOR Workshop on Regeneration and Remodeling of Structural Materials, Venice, ITALY, June 28-29, 2012.
35. **SA Guelcher**. Dual-purpose bone grafts for treatment of contaminated open fractures. Keynote Lecture, Chemical Engineering Graduate Student Symposium, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA, April 12, 2012.
36. **JM Page**, AR Merkel, JA Sterling, **SA Guelcher**. Effects of matrix rigidity on osteolytic gene expression in tumor cells. 244th ACS National Meeting & Exposition, Philadelphia, PA, August 19-23, 2012.
37. JA Sterling, **JM Page**, AR Merkel, **NS Ruppender**, **SA Guelcher**. Matrix Rigidity Alters TGF- β Signaling and Regulates Osteolytic Gene Expression by Tumor Cells. Society for Biomaterials Fall Symposium, New Orleans, LA, October 3-6, 2012.
38. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Grafts for Bone Regeneration in Challenging Environments. Seminar presented at Kansas University, February 5, 2013.
39. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Grafts for Bone Regeneration in Challenging Environments. Seminar presented at University of Memphis, April 5, 2013.
40. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable, settable lysine-derived polyurethane grafts for bone regeneration. 23rd Interdisciplinary Research Conference on Injectable Osteoarticular Biomaterials and Bone Augmentation Procedures (GRIBOI), April 8 - 10, 2013, Boston, MA.
41. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Grafts for Bone Regeneration in Challenging Environments. Seminar presented in the Department of Biomedical Engineering at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, November 25, 2013.
42. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Grafts for Bone Regeneration in Challenging Environments. Seminar presented in the Department of Biomedical Engineering at The University of Iowa, Ames, IA, December 12, 2013.
43. **SA Guelcher**. Translating Novel Biomaterials from Bench Top to Clinic. Scientific Seminar presented at the US Army Institute of Surgical Research, San Antonio, TX, February 5, 2014.
44. **SA Guelcher**. Microenvironmental Factors Regulating Establishment of Tumors in Bone. Presented at the NCI Strategic Workshop: Biomimetic Tissue Engineered Systems for Advancing Cancer Research, Rockville, MD, February 26, 2014.
45. **SA Guelcher**. Invited presentation for the Panel: Biomaterial Strategies for Craniomaxillofacial versus Orthopaedic Bone Defects. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, April 17, 2014.
46. **SA Guelcher**. Templated Scaffolds with Tunable Mechanical and Physical Properties Fabricated by Fused Deposition Modeling. International Forum on 3D Printing: Fundamentals and Biomedical Applications, Xi'an, China, August 28 - 29, 2014.
47. **SA Guelcher**. Clinical Applications of Novel Materials. 12th New Jersey Symposium on Biomaterials, New Brunswick, NJ, October 6-7, 2014.
48. **SA Guelcher**. Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds for Bone Regeneration and Wound Healing. Invited presentation for the Polyurethanes Workshop. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, April 17, 2015.
49. **SA Guelcher**. A Transient Cell-Shielding Method for Viable MSC Delivery with Hydrophobic Scaffolds Polymerized *in situ*. Presented to the Novel Cellular Therapies Subsection of the Blood Bank and Cellular Therapies Professional Society. May 14, 2015.
50. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable and Settable Bone Grafts for Ridge Augmentation. Presented at the 25th Interdisciplinary Research Conference on Injectable Osteoarticular Biomaterials and Bone Augmentation Procedures (GRIBOI). Toronto, CA, May 20, 2015.
51. **SA Guelcher**. Biomaterials-based interventions for Bone Tissue Engineering. Regenerative Medicine Essentials: From the Fundamentals to the Future. Wake Forest Institute of Regenerative Medicine, Winston Salem, NC, July 20 - 24, 2015.

52. **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Polyurethane Drug Delivery Systems. Merck & Company, West Point, PA, October 13 - 14, 2015.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Oral and Poster Presentations

1. **SA Guelcher**, S-H Chiang. Hydrodynamic Study of a Novel Multi-Stage Loop-Flow Flotation Column. American Filtration Society Annual Technical Conference, Valley Forge, PA, April 1996.
2. **SA Guelcher**, YuE Solomentsev, JL Anderson. Self-Ordering of Colloidal Particles during Electrophoretic Deposition: A Hydrodynamic Model. ACS Colloid & Surface Science Symposium, Newark, DE, June 1997.
3. **SA Guelcher**, YuE Solomentsev, JL Anderson. Investigating the Mechanism of Aggregation of Colloidal Particles during Electrophoretic Deposition: An Electrochemical Model. ACS Colloid & Surface Science Symposium, State College, PA, June 1998.
4. **SA Guelcher**, YuE Solomentsev, PJ Sides, JL Anderson. The Effect of Surface-Induced Flows on Bubble and Particle Aggregation. Poster at Fourth Microgravity Fluid & Transport Phenomena Conference, Cleveland, OH, August 1998.
5. **SA Guelcher**, YuE Solomentsev, JL Anderson. Investigating the Mechanism of Aggregation of Colloidal Particles during Electrophoretic Deposition. AIChE Annual Meeting, Miami Beach, FL, November 1998.
6. **SA Guelcher**, YuE Solomentsev, JL Anderson. Electrokinetic Aggregation of Colloidal Particles on Electrodes. International Association of Colloid and Interface Scientists Meeting, Bristol, UK, July 2000.
7. **SA Guelcher**, EJ Beckman, JO Hollinger. A New Synthesis Strategy for Biodegradable Polyurethanes. 7th World Biomaterials Congress (poster), Sydney, Australia, May 16 -21, 2004.
8. **SA Guelcher**, JO Hollinger. Injectable Polyurethane Scaffolds for Bone Tissue Engineering. 7th New Jersey Center for Biomaterials Symposium, New Brunswick, NJ, October 20 – 22, 2004 (poster).
9. **SA Guelcher**, JO Hollinger. Injectable Polyurethane Scaffolds for Bone Tissue Engineering. AIChE Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, November 7 – 12, 2004.
10. **SA Guelcher**, JO Hollinger. Injectable Polyurethane Scaffolds for Bone Tissue Engineering. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Memphis, TN, April 27 – 30, 2005.
11. **SA Guelcher**, KM Gallagher, JE Didier, JO Hollinger. Injectable Polyurethane Scaffolds for Bone Tissue Engineering. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Memphis, TN, April 27 – 30, 2005
12. KA Dulaney, **SA Guelcher**, JO Hollinger, and AS Goldstein. Degradable Segmented Polyurethanes for Bone Tissue Engineering. AIChE Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, OH, October 30 – November 4, 2005.
13. **SA Guelcher**, KM Gallagher, JS Doctor, and JO Hollinger. Porous Polyurethane Foam Scaffolds for Bone Tissue Engineering. AIChE Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, OH, October 30 – November 4, 2005.
14. KO Dulaney, TW Pechar, GL Wilkes, **SA Guelcher**, JO Hollinger, AS Goldstein. High-modulus polyurethanes for bone tissue engineering. Poster presented at the Orthopaedic Research Society meeting, Chicago, IL, March 19 – 22, 2006.
15. A Srinivasan, KM Gallagher, S McBride, S Khetan, **SA Guelcher**, JO Hollinger. In vitro biocompatibility and biodegradation of poly(ester urethane)urea scaffolds. Poster presented at the Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, April 26 – 29, 2006.
16. **SA Guelcher**, A Srinivasan, S McBride, JE Didier, and JO Hollinger. In vitro biocompatibility and biodegradation of two-component cast poly(ester urethane)s. Poster presented at the Regenerate World Congress on Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine, Pittsburgh, PA, April 24 – 27, 2006.

17. CA Bashur, RD Shaffer, **SA Guelcher**, AS Goldstein. Electrospun polyurethanes for ligament tissue engineering. Poster presented at the Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, October 11 – 14, 2006.
18. CA Bashur, MS Mills, **SA Guelcher**, AS Goldstein. Electrospun polyurethanes and bone marrow stromal cells for ligament tissue engineering. Presented by AS Goldstein at the AIChE Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 12 – 17, 2006.
19. **AE Hafeman**, **SA Guelcher**. Biodegradable, injectable poly(ester urethane)urea delivery systems for bone tissue engineering. Presented at the AIChE Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 12 – 17, 2006.
20. KO Dulaney, **SA Guelcher**, AS Goldstein. Novel polyurethane porous foam scaffolds for bone tissue engineering applications. Presented by AS Goldstein at the AIChE Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 12 – 17, 2006.
21. **KL Zienkiewicz**, **SA Guelcher**. Segmented poly(ester urethane)urea elastomers with biodegradable hard and soft segments. Presented at the AIChE Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 12 – 17, 2006.
22. **SA Guelcher**, A Srinivasan, JO Hollinger. Biodegradable poly(ester urethane)urea biomaterials for applications in combat casualty care. Poster presented at the 25th Army Science Conference, Orlando, FL, November 27 – 30, 2006.
23. A Srinivasan, J Kwan, E Walsh, S McBride, **AE Hafeman**, **SA Guelcher**, JO Hollinger. In Vitro Mineralization of PEUUR and PEUUR/DBM Composite Foams. Poster presented at the Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 18 – 21, 2007.
24. AE Hafeman, JM Davidson, and **SA Guelcher**. Effects of Polyol, Isocyanate, and Additives on Poly(ester urethane)urea Scaffolds: Material and in vivo Histological Properties. Poster presented at the American Chemical Society Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, August 19 – 23, 2007.
25. KD Kavlock, **SA Guelcher**, AS Goldstein. Effect Of Scaffold Modulus On Osteogenic Differentiation Of Bone Marrow Stromal Cells. Poster presented at the Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, September 26 – 29, 2007.
26. CA Bashur, RD Shaffer, JJ Yoo, **SA Guelcher**, AS Goldstein. Ligament Development On Electrospun Elastomeric Polyurethane Scaffolds. Poster presented at the Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, September 26 – 29, 2007.
27. **JE Dumas** and **SA Guelcher**. Resorbable Polyurethane/Bone Composites for Bone Tissue Engineering. Presented at the AIChE Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, UT, November 5 – 9, 2007.
28. **AE Hafeman**, **K Zienkiewicz**, J Davidson, **SA Guelcher**. In vivo Characterization of Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds in a Wound Healing Model. Presented at the AIChE Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, UT, November 5 – 9, 2007.
29. **AE Hafeman**, E Carney, B Litzner, **K Zienkiewicz**, **LI Hochhauser**, JM Davidson, C Stratton, **SA Guelcher**. Release of Antibiotic from Injectable, Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds for Enhanced Bone Fracture Healing. Orthopedic Research Society Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, March 2 – 5, 2008, San Francisco, CA. Poster.
30. **JE Dumas**, **TE Davis**, A Srinivasan, JO Hollinger, and **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Polyurethane/Mineralized Bone Powder Composites. Orthopedic Research Society Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, March 2 – 5, 2008, San Francisco, CA. Poster.
31. **JE Dumas**, **TE Davis**, A. Srinivasan, C Ho, R Desai, JO Hollinger, and **SA Guelcher**. Resorbable Polyurethane/Bone Composites for Bone Tissue Engineering. World Biomaterials Congress, May 28 – June 1, 2008, Amsterdam, NETHERLANDS. Oral.
32. **AE Hafeman**, E Carney, B Litzner, **K Zienkiewicz**, **LI Hochhauser**, JM Davidson, C Stratton, **SA Guelcher**. Release of BMP-2 and Tobramycin from Injectable, Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds for Enhanced Bone Fracture Healing. World Biomaterials Congress, May 28 – June 1, 2008, Amsterdam, NETHERLANDS. Oral.
33. **AE Hafeman**, **K Zienkiewicz**, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**. Synthesis and in vivo characterization of injectable and biodegradable polyurethane scaffolds in a wound healing model. TERMIS-EU

Annual Meeting, June 22 – 26, 2008, Alfandega, PORTUGAL. Poster. Published in Tissue Engineering Part A 14(5): 910-11.

34. **NS Ruppender**, JA Sterling, JS Nyman, JF O'Keefe, GR Mundy, and **SA Guelcher**. Effects of Extracellular Matrix Properties and Elastic Modulus on the Expression of parathyroid hormone-related peptide (PTHrP) by Human Breast Cancer Cells. ASBMR Annual Meeting, September 12 – 16, 2008, Montreal, CANADA. Poster.
35. **AE Hafeman**, **KJ Zienkiewicz**, JM Davidson, and **SA Guelcher**. Injectability of Biodegradable, Porous Polyurethane Scaffolds for Tissue Regeneration. 9th New Jersey Symposium on Biomaterials Science and Regenerative Medicine, October 29 – 31, 2008, New Brunswick, NJ. Poster.
36. **JE Dumas**, **SA Guelcher**. Resorbable Polyurethane/Bone Composites for Bone Tissue Engineering. AICHE Annual Meeting, November 17 – 21, 2008, Philadelphia, PA. Oral.
37. **AE Hafeman**, **B Li**, **KL Zienkiewicz**, and **SA Guelcher**. Delivery of Antibiotics and BMP-2 from Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds. AICHE Annual Meeting, November 17 – 21, 2008, Philadelphia, PA. Oral.
38. **AE Hafeman**, JO Hollinger, **SA Guelcher**. Release of BMP-2 and tobramycin from injectable, biodegradable polyurethane scaffolds for enhanced bone fracture healing. Army Science Conference, December 1 – 4, 2008, Orlando, FL. Poster.
39. **AE Hafeman**, **KL Zienkiewicz**, **B Li**, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds for Tissue Regeneration. TERMIS-NA Annual Conference and Exposition, December 7 – 10, San Diego, CA. Oral.
40. **AE Hafeman**, **KL Zienkiewicz**, T Yoshii, GE Gutierrez, GR Mundy, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable, Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds With Local Lovastatin Delivery For Enhanced Bone Regeneration. TERMIS-NA Annual Conference and Exposition, December 7 – 10, 2009, San Diego, CA. Poster.
41. **B Li**, **SA Guelcher**. Controlled Release of BMP-2 from Injectable Polyurethane Scaffolds. TERMIS-NA Annual Conference and Exposition, December 7 – 10, 2009, San Diego, CA. Poster.
42. **SA Tanner**, **B Li**, J Kim, T Jacobs, S Bhattacharyya, JO Hollinger, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Allograft Bone/Polymer Composite Scaffolds for the Treatment of Craniofacial Bone Defects. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 13 – 15, 2009, St Pete Beach, FL. Oral.
43. **B Li**, J Kim, A Karunanidhi, L Schutte, JO Hollinger, **SA Guelcher**. Sustained Release of BMP-2 from Polyurethane Scaffolds Promotes New Bone Formation in Rat Femoral Defect. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 13 – 15, 2009, St Pete Beach, FL. Oral.
44. J Kim, **SA Tanner**, **SA Guelcher**, JO Hollinger. Cell Attachment and Differentiation of Osteoprogenitor Cells on Injectable Bone Particle (BP)/Polyurethane (PUR) Composites in Three Dimensional (3D) Cell Culture. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 13 – 15, 2009, St Pete Beach, FL. Poster.
45. A Karunanidhi, J Kim, **B Li**, L Shutte, **SA Guelcher**, JO Hollinger. Osteogenic Differentiation of Human Mesenchymal Stem Cell in Response to Exogenous or Released Recombinant Human Bone Morphogenetic Protein 2 (BMP-2) from Polyurethane (PUR) Composites for Treatment of Craniofacial Bone Defects. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 13 – 15, 2009, St Pete Beach, FL. Poster.
46. T Yoshii, **AE Hafeman**, JS Nyman, **KL Zienkiewicz**, GE Gutierrez, GR Mundy, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable, Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds With Local Lovastatin Delivery For Enhanced Bone Regeneration. Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, February 23 – 25, 2009. Oral.
47. **AE Hafeman**, **KL Zienkiewicz**, T Yoshii, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable, Biodegradable, Porous Polyurethane Scaffolds for Tissue Regeneration. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 22 – 25, 2009. San Antonio, TX. Oral.

48. **B Li**, T Yoshii, **SA Guelcher**. Controlled Delivery of BMP-2 from Polyurethane Scaffolds Promotes New Bone Formation in Rat Femoral Defect. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 22 – 25, 2009. San Antonio, TX. Oral.
49. **B Li**, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**. Local Delivery of PDGF-BB from Polyurethane Scaffold Enhances Tissue Regeneration in Rat Excisional Wounds. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 22 – 25, 2009. San Antonio, TX. Oral.
50. **NS Ruppender**, JA Sterling, **PD Boyer**, GR Mundy, **SA Guelcher**. Effects of Extracellular Matrix Properties on Osteolytic Potential of Human Breast Cancer Cells. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 22 – 25, 2009. San Antonio, TX. Poster.
51. **AE Hafeman**, **B Li**, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable, Biodegradable, Polyurethane Scaffolds for Tissue Restoration. 5th Joint Meeting of The European Tissue Repair Society and The Wound Healing Society, August 25 – 29, 2009. Limoges, FRANCE. Oral. Published in Wound Repair and Regeneration 17(4): A68, 2011.
52. **B Li**, KV Brown, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Dual Delivery of Growth Factor and Antibiotic from Polyurethane Scaffold Improves Tissue Regeneration in Infected Bone Wounds. 2nd TERMIS World Congress, August 31 - September 3, 2009. Seoul, KO. Oral.
53. **SA Tanner**, **B Li**, **SA Guelcher**. Delivery of Bone Morphogenetic Protein from Injectable Allograft Bone/Polymer Composites for the Treatment of Craniofacial Bone Defects. 2nd TERMIS World Congress, August 31 - September 3, 2009. Seoul, KO. Oral.
54. **JE Dumas**, GE Holt, **SA Guelcher**. Resorbable Mineralized Bone Particle/Polyurethane Composites for Bone Tissue Engineering. AIChE Annual Meeting, November 9 – 13, 2009. Nashville, TN. Oral.
55. **JE Dumas**, K Zienkiewicz, **SA Tanner**, **EM Prieto**, S Bhattacharyya, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Allograft Bone-Polyurethane Composite Foam Scaffolds: Tuning Mechanical Properties by Controlling Scaffold Porosity. AIChE Annual Meeting, November 9 – 13, 2009. Nashville, TN. Oral.
56. CA Bashur, **SA Guelcher**, AS Goldstein. Effect of Uniaxial Stretch on ECM Expression by Ligament Progenitor Cells on Electrospun Fibrous Meshes. AIChE Annual Meeting, November 9 – 13, 2009. Nashville, TN. Oral.
57. **JE Dumas**, KJ Zienkiewicz, PB Baer, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Mineralized Bone Particle/Polyurethane Composite Bone Void Filler with Recombinant Human Bone Morphogenetic Protein. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 11 – 14, 2010, St Pete Beach, FL. Oral.
58. **B Li**, KV Brown, DS Perrien, T Guda, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Infected Bone Wound Healing Achieved by Dual Delivery of Vancomycin & rhBMP-2 from Polyurethanes. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 11 – 14, 2010, St Pete Beach, FL. Oral.
59. **EM Prieto**, K Zienkiewicz, **DC Harris**, **SA Guelcher**. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 11 – 14, 2010, St Pete Beach, FL. Poster.
60. T Yoshii, **AE Hafeman**, JS Nyman, J Esparza, D Spengler, GR Mundy, **SA Guelcher**, G Gutierrez. Local Lovastatin Injection Enhances Bone Regeneration Using Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds. Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, March 6 - 9, 2010. New Orleans, LA. Oral.
61. KV Brown, **B Li**, T Guda, **SA Guelcher**, JC. Wenke. Decreasing Complications in Open Fractures with a Novel Bone Graft. Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, March 6 - 9, 2010. New Orleans, LA. Poster.
62. **JE Dumas**, **SA Guelcher**. Resorbable Mineralized Bone Particle/Polyurethane Composites for Bone Tissue Engineering. Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, March 6 - 9, 2010. New Orleans, LA. Poster.
63. **EM Prieto**, K Zienkiewicz, **DC Harris**, **SA Guelcher**. Improvement of Interfacial Compatibility in Polyurethane/Tricalcium Phosphate Composite Bone Cements Through Filler Surface Modification. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 21 – 24, 2010. Seattle, WA. Poster.

64. **B Li**, KV Brown, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Sustaining the Release of Vancomycin from Polyurethane Scaffold for Infection Control. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 21 – 24, 2010. Seattle, WA. Oral.
65. **B Li**, KV Brown, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Dual delivery of Vancomycin and rhBMP-2 from Polyurethane Implants for Contaminated Bone Wound Healing. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 21 – 24, 2010. Seattle, WA. Oral.
66. **AE Hafeman**, T Yoshii, JS Nyman, JM Esparza, GR Mundy, GE Gutierrez, **SA Guelcher**. Local Lovastatin Injection Enhances Bone Regeneration Using Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 21 – 24, 2010. Seattle, WA. Oral.
67. **JE Dumas**, KJ Zienkiewicz, PB Baer, and **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Allograft Bone/Polymer Composite Bone Void Filler with Recombinant Human Bone Morphogenetic Protein. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 21 – 24, 2010. Seattle, WA. Oral.
68. **NS Ruppender**, JA Sterling, TJ Martin, GR Mundy, **SA Guelcher**. Skeletal Rigidity Enhances TGF-beta Effects on Cancer Cell Expression of Osteolytic Factors. CABS Cancer and Bone Society, 10th International Conference on Cancer Induced Bone Disease, Sheffield, United Kingdom, Sep 22 – 25, 2010. Abstract published as Bone 48(1): S39, 2011.
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70. **EM Prieto**, KL Zienkiewicz, DC Harris, **SA Guelcher**. Effects of Bone Surface Composition on the Mechanical Properties and Biocompatibility of Polyurethane/Allograft Bone Composite Cements. AICHE Annual Meeting, November 7 – 12, 2010. Salt Lake City, UT. Oral.
71. **NS Ruppender**, JA Sterling, GR Mundy, **SA Guelcher**. Invasive Behavior in Osteolytic Metastatic Cancers is Dictated by Mechanical Cues. AICHE Annual Meeting, November 7 – 12, 2010. Salt Lake City, UT. Oral.
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73. **JE Dumas**, EM Prieto, KL Zienkiewicz, GE Holt, **SA Guelcher**. Low Porosity Injectable (Reactive-Allograft-Bone/Polyurethane) Composites Incorporating rhBMP-2 Enhance Bone Remodeling in a in a Rabbit Femoral Plug Model. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 18 – 20, 2011, St Pete Beach, FL. Oral.
74. **EM Prieto**, **JE Dumas**, KJ Zienkiewicz, JC Wenke, R Hale, PB Baer, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Allograft Bone/Polymer Composite Bone Void Filler for Repair of Calvarial Defects. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 18 – 20, 2011, St Pete Beach, FL. Oral.
75. **BH Lee**, **SA Guelcher**. Gel microstructure regulates proliferation and differentiation of MC3T3-E1 cells encapsulated in alginate beads. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 18 – 20, 2011, St Pete Beach, FL. Oral.
76. **BH Lee**, **SA Guelcher**. Local cell delivery from injectable biodegradable polymeric scaffolds. Armed Forces Institute for Regenerative Medicine (AFIRM) All-Hands Meeting, January 18 – 20, 2011, St Pete Beach, FL. Poster.
77. KV Brown, **B L**, T Guda, **B-H Lee**, SA Guelcher, JC Wenke. Dual-Purpose Bone Grafts Reduce Infection and Improve Healing. American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons Annual Meeting, February 15 – 19, 2011, San Diego, CA. Oral.
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79. **JE Dumas**, **EM Prieto**, J Bible, GE Holt, **SA Guelcher**. Low porosity injectable biocomposites incorporating rhBMP-2 enhance bone remodeling in a rabbit femoral plug model. 21st

- Interdisciplinary Research Conference on Injectable Osteoarticular Biomaterials and Bone Augmentation Procedures. April 5 - 7, 2011, Boston, MA. Oral.
80. EA Adolph, AE Hafeman, JM Davidson, LB Nanney, SA Guelcher. Injectable polyurethane scaffolds delay wound contraction and support cellular infiltration and remodeling in rat excisional wounds. Wound Healing Society Annual Meeting, April 14 - 17, 2011, Dallas, TX. Oral. Published in Wound Repair and Regeneration 19(2): A9, 2011.
 81. CE Nelson, MK Gupta, **EJ Adolph**, **SA Guelcher**, CL Duvall. "Smart", Sustained Local Delivery of siRNA from an Injectable Scaffold. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 13 - 16, 2011, Orlando, FL. Oral.
 82. **B-H Lee**, **B Li**, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Alginate Microcapsule/Polyurethane Composite Scaffolds for Cell Therapy. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, April 13 - 16, 2011, Orlando, FL. Poster
 83. **JE Dumas**, P Brown Baer, JC Wenke, RG Hale, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable allograft bone/polymer bone void filler for repair of calvarial defects. 4th International Conference on Tissue Engineering, May 31 - June 5, 2011, Chania, Crete, GREECE. Rapid fire oral and poster presentations.
 84. **JE Dumas**, **EM Prieto**, J Bible, GE Holt, **SA Guelcher**. Low porosity injectable biocomposites incorporating rhBMP-2 enhance bone remodeling in a rabbit femoral plug model. 4th International Conference on Tissue Engineering, May 31 - June 5, 2011, Chania, Crete, GREECE. Rapid fire oral and poster presentations.
 85. **BH Lee**, **SA Guelcher**. Gel microstructure regulates proliferation and differentiation of MC3T3 cells encapsulated in alginate beads. 4th International Conference on Tissue Engineering, May 31 - June 5, 2011, Chania, Crete, GREECE. Poster.
 86. PR Brown Baer, DT Silliman, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**, **JE Dumas**, RG Hale. Influence of Porosity and rh-BMP2 on Healing Using an Injectable Bone Regenerative Scaffold. Advanced Technology Applications for Combat Casualty Care (ATACCC) Conference, August 15 - 17, 2011, Tampa, FL. Poster.
 87. A Zachman, **J Page**, C Bronikowski, **S Guelcher**, H-J Sung. Macrophage activation through oxidative response to biodegradable polyurethane scaffolds with functional peptide. Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, October 12-15, 2011, Hartford, CT. Poster.
 88. A Zachman, C Bronikowski, O Ortiz, **K Zienkiewicz**, S Crowder, **S Guelcher**, J Kohn, H Kleinman, H-J Sung. Inflammatory response-mediated regulation of angiogenesis in bioactive hydrogels. Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, October 12-15, 2011, Hartford, CT. Poster.
 89. **EM Prieto**, **JE Dumas**, J Bible, GE Holt, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable weight-bearing biocomposites for bone regeneration. International Bone-Tissue-Engineering Congress, October 12 - 15, 2011, Hannover, GERMANY. Oral. * EM Prieto won the Outstanding Oral Presentation Award *
 90. **EJ Adolph**, JM Davidson, LB Nanney, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Polyurethane Composite Scaffolds Delay Wound Closure and Support Cellular Infiltration and Remodeling In Rat Excisional Wounds. AIChE Annual Meeting, October 16 - 21, 2011, Minneapolis, MN. Oral.
 91. **EJ Adolph**, JM Davidson, LB Nanney, **SA Guelcher**. Effects of Scaffold Mechanical Properties On the Delivery of Stromal Cell-Derived Factor-1 From Polyurethane Scaffolds In Rat Cutaneous Wounds. AIChE Annual Meeting, October 16 - 21, 2011, Minneapolis, MN. Oral.
 92. **EM Prieto**, **EJ Adolph**, **SA Guelcher**. Biomaterials reaching high schools through students and educators. AIChE Annual Meeting, October 16 - 21, 2011, Minneapolis, MN. Oral.
 93. **EM Prieto**, **EL von Stein**, **SA Guelcher**. In vitro effect of polyurethane composites with surface modified fillers on the osteoclastic differentiation process. AIChE Annual Meeting, October 16 - 21, 2011, Minneapolis, MN. Oral.
 94. RW Johnson, AR Merkel, **NS Ruppender**, **SA Guelcher**, LM Matrisian, JA Sterling. Bone stiffness drives Wnt signaling regulation of Gli2 in osteolytic breast cancer cells. Cancer in Bone Society (CABS) Meeting, November 30 - December 3, 2011, Chicago, IL.
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96. PR Brown Baer, **JE Dumas**, JC Wenke, DT Silliman, COL RG Hale, **SA Guelcher**. Influence of Porosity and rhBMP-2 on Healing Using an Injectable Bone Regenerative Scaffold. TERMIS NA Meeting, December 11 - 14, 2011, Houston, TX. Poster.
97. **AD Talley**, **EM Prieto**, **KJ Zienkiewicz**, DT Silliman, JC Wenke, P BrownBaer, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Polymer/ β -TCP Biocomposite Delivery Systems for rhBMP-2. AFIRM All-hands meeting, February 14 - 15, 2012, St. Pete Beach, FL. Oral.
98. **AD Talley**, **EM Prieto**, **KJ Zienkiewicz**, DT Silliman, JC Wenke, P BrownBaer, K Kalpakci, and **SA Guelcher**. Commercialization of an Injectable, Settable Biocomposite Bone Void Filler. AFIRM All-hands meeting, February 14 - 15, 2012, St. Pete Beach, FL. Poster.
99. **AD Talley**, **EM Prieto**, DT Silliman, JC Wenke, P BrownBaer, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable, Settable Polymer/ β -TCP Bone Grafts for Delivery of rhBMP-2. 22nd Interdisciplinary Research Conference on Injectable Osteoarticular Biomaterials and Bone Augmentation Procedures (GRIBOI), May 10-12, 2012, Uppsala, SWEDEN. Oral.
100. **EJ Adolph**, F Yu, LB Nanney, JM Davidson, and **SA Guelcher**. Effects of Delivery of Recombinant Human Stromal Cell-Derived Factor-1 from Polyurethane Scaffolds with Different Young's Moduli on Cutaneous Healing in Rat Excisional Wounds. 9th World Biomaterials Congress, June 1 - 5, 2012. Chengdu, CHINA. Poster.
101. **R Guo** and **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Polyurethane with Degradable Calcium Alginate Beads as a Cell Delivery System for Tissue Repair. 9th World Biomaterials Congress, June 1 - 5, 2012. Chengdu, CHINA. Oral.
102. A Zachman, **JM Page**, A Boone, G Prabhakar, **SA Guelcher**, HJ Sung. Regulation of adhesion-dependent apoptosis in macrophages by PEG-containing polyurethane films. BMES Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, September 25-28, 2012. Poster
103. C Nelson, A Kim, **EJ Adolph**, M Gupta, F Yu, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**, C Duvall. Injectable tissue engineering scaffolds that mediate efficient gene silencing in vivo. BMES Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, September 25-28, 2012. Oral
104. J Martin, M Gupta, **JM Page**, **EJ Adolph**, **SA Guelcher**, C Duvall. Synthesis of a novel injectable, ROS-degradable tissue engineering scaffold. BMES Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, September 25-28, 2012. Poster
105. C Duvall, C Nelson, H Li, S Yu, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**, T Giorgio. Local and targeted siRNA delivery technologies. BMES Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, September 25-28, 2012. Oral
106. R Allen, M Yoshida, W Wu, L Volpatti, **SA Guelcher**, Y Wang. Improved design for cell-free, fast degrading synthetic artery grafts. BMES Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, October 24 - 27, 2012. Oral
107. CA Krueger, J Penn-Barwell, **SA Guelcher**, JC Wenke. Antibiotic Release from Scaffold Prevents the Bone Graft from Causing Infection. Orthopaedic Trauma Association Annual Meeting, October 4 - 6, 2012. Minneapolis, MN. Oral..
108. A Zachman, **JM Page**, C Bronikowski, A Boon, **SA Guelcher**, H-J Sung. Macrophage response to biodegradable polyurethane scaffolds with functional peptide treatment. Society for Biomaterials Fall Symposium, New Orleans, LA, October 3-6, 2012.
109. **AJ Harmata**, **SA Guelcher**. Effects of Surface Modification of 45S5 Bioactive Glass on Bioactivity and Mechanical Properties of Polymeric Biocomposites. Society for Biomaterials Fall Symposium, New Orleans, LA, October 3-6, 2012. Oral
110. **EJ Adolph**, F Yu, LB Nanney, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**. Effects of Delivery of Recombinant Human Stromal Cell-Derived Factor-1 from Polyurethane Scaffolds with Different Degradation Rates on Cutaneous Healing in Rat Excisional Wounds. Society for Biomaterials Fall Symposium, New Orleans, LA, October 3-6, 2012.
111. **EM Prieto**, **AD Talley**, **KJ Zienkiewicz**, K Kalpakci, **SA Guelcher**. Effect of Matrix Particle Size and Loading On the Overall Performance of Injectable Allograft/Polyurethane Composite Bone Void Fillers. AICHE Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, October 29 - November 2, 2012.
112. **EM Prieto**, **EL Von Stein**, **SA Guelcher**. Osteoclastic Resorption of Mineralized Fillers in the Presence of Bone Morphogenetic Protein-2. AICHE Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, October 29 - November 2, 2012.

113. **EM Prieto, EJ Adolph, SA Guelcher**. Investigating Cooperative Learning Grouping Strategies in an Introductory Engineering Course. AIChE Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, October 29 - November 2, 2012. Oral.
114. **JM Page**, A Merkel, JA Sterling, **SA Guelcher**. 3D Polyurethane Scaffolds (3D-PURS) with Defined Architecture and Rigidity for Analysis of Tumor-Induced Bone Disease. Cancer-Induced Bone Disease Annual Meeting, Lyon, FR, November 15 - 17, 2012.
115. **AD Talley**, T Guda, DT Silliman, P Brown-Baer, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Biocomposite Grafts Demonstrate Effective BMP-2 Delivery for Bone Healing. Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, January 26 - 29, 2013. Poster.
116. **AJ Harmata**, CL Ward, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Remodeling of Settable Composites with Initial Bone-like Strength. Hilton Head Workshop, Regenerative Medicine: Technologies Enabling Novel Therapies, Hilton Head, SC, March 20-23, 2013. Oral.
117. **AD Talley, EM Prieto**, T Guda, P Brown Baer, TD Silliman, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Polymer/ β -TCP Biocomposite Delivery Systems for rhBMP-2. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, April 10 - 13, 2013. Oral.
118. **R Guo**, CL Ward, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Scaffolds with Degradable Calcium Alginate Beads as a Cell Delivery System for Tissue Repair. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, April 10 - 13, 2013. Oral.
119. **AJ Harmata**, CL Ward, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. In Vivo Remodeling of 45S5 Bioactive Glass/ Polyurethane Biocomposites with Initial Bone-like Mechanical Properties. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, April 10 - 13, 2013. Oral.
120. **EM Prieto**, CJ Sanchez Jr, CA Kruger, KJ Zienkiewicz, DR Romano, KS Akers, SK Hardy, RL Woodburry, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Local Delivery of D-Amino Acids Reduce Bacterial Burden in Contaminated Rat Segmental Defects. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, April 10 - 13, 2013. Oral.
121. S Cannonier, **JM Page**, AR Merkel, **SA Guelcher**, JA Sterling. Matrix Rigidity Regulates Osteolytic Gene Expression in Oral Squamous Cell Carcinomas. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, April 10 - 13, 2013. Poster.
122. **EJ Adolph**, CE Nelson, JM Shannon, CL Duvall, **SA Guelcher**. Lyophilized Poly(ethylene glycol-b-(dimethylaminoethyl methacrylate-stat-butyl methacrylate))-DNA Nanoparticles for Nonviral Gene Therapy. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, April 10 - 13, 2013. Poster.
123. **AJ Harmata**, S Uppuganti, JS Nyman **SA Guelcher**. Effects of surface modification of 45S5 bioactive glass on dynamic compressive fatigue mechanical properties of polymeric biocomposites. 23rd Interdisciplinary Research Conference on Injectable Osteoarticular Biomaterials and Bone Augmentation Procedures (GRIBOI), April 8 - 10, 2013, Boston, MA. Oral.
124. **AD Talley**, KJ Zienkiewicz, SS Funk, J Dasgupta, JC Wenke, JM Davidson, GE Holt, **SA Guelcher**. *In vivo* rhBMP-2 Release from Degradable Polyurethane Biocomposites. 23rd Interdisciplinary Research Conference on Injectable Osteoarticular Biomaterials and Bone Augmentation Procedures (GRIBOI), April 8 - 10, 2013, Boston, MA. Oral.
125. **EM Prieto, SA Guelcher**. Effects of rhBMP-2 and mineralized matrix composition over osteoclastic differentiation and resorptive activity. 23rd Interdisciplinary Research Conference on Injectable Osteoarticular Biomaterials and Bone Augmentation Procedures (GRIBOI), April 8 - 10, 2013, Boston, MA. Oral.
126. **R Guo**, CL Ward, CL Duvall, JM Davidson, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable polyurethane/ alginate composite scaffolds for cell delivery. 2013 eCM XIV: Stem & Progenitor Cells for Musculoskeletal Regeneration, Davos, Switzerland June 23 - 25, 2013.
127. CE Nelson, A Kim, A Hannah, **EJ Adolph**, MK Gupta, F Yu, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**, CL Duvall. Tunable and Sustained Scaffold-based Gene Silencing In Vivo. The Controlled Release Society Annual Meeting, Honolulu, HI, July 21 - 24, 2013. Poster.
128. R Guo, CL Ward, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable Scaffolds with Degradable Calcium Alginate Beads as a Cell Delivery System for Tissue Repair. MSC 2013 - Adult Stem Cell Therapy and Regenerative Medicine, Cleveland, OH, August 19 - 21, 2013. Poster.

129. EJ Adolph, CE Nelson, JM Shannon, CL Duvall, SA Guelcher. Enhanced Stability and Activity of pH-sensitive Self-assembled Diblock Copolymer/Plasmid Complexes. BMES Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, September 25 - 28, 2013. Oral.
130. CA Krueger, C Sanchez, **SA Guelcher**, JC Wenke. Development and Evaluation of a Biofilm-Dispersing Scaffold. Orthopaedic Trauma Association (OTA) Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ, October 9 - 12, 2013. Oral.
131. CE Nelson, **SA Guelcher**, CL Duvall. Local and Sustained silencing of Proline Hydroxylase 2 Increases Blood Vessel Production in Mice. Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting, September 25-28, 2013, Seattle, WA. Oral.
132. JM Page, N Ruppender, S Cannonier, U Dadwal, AR Merkel, SA Guelcher, JA Sterling. Integrin-beta 3 is required for breast tumor response to bone rigidity. ASBMR Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, October 4 - 7, 2013. Oral.
133. RJ Guo, S Lu, JM Page, SA Guelcher. Controllable effects of mechanical moduli on osteoblast differentiation of mesenchymal stem cells on polyurethane substrates. AIChE Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 4 - 8, 2013. Oral.
134. EJ Adolph, CE Nelson, CL Duvall, SA Guelcher. Delivery of diblock copolymer/plasmid DNA polyplexes from polyurethane scaffolds. AIChE Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 4 - 8, 2013. Poster. Won 2nd Place in MESD Poster Competition.
135. JM Page, NS Ruppender, AR Merkel, U Dadwal, S Cannonier,, SA Guelcher, JA Sterling. Integrin- β 3 and TGF- β receptor type II cross-talk induces osteolysis in bone metastatic cancer cells. Cancer-Induced Bone Disease Annual Meeting, Miami, FL, November 6 - 9, 2013. Oral.
136. JR Martin, JM Page, MK Gupta, F Yu, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**, CL Duvall. In Vivo Performance of an ROS-degradable Tissue Engineering Scaffold. TERMIS Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 10 - 13, 2013. Poster.
137. CL Ward, **R Guo**, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Development of an Injectable and Settable Polyurethane Cell Delivery System for Bone Regeneration. TERMIS Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 10 - 13, 2013. Poster.
138. **AJ Harmata**, CL Ward, S Uppuganti, KJ Zienkiewicz, JS Nyman, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Effects of surface modification of 45S5 bioactive glass on bioactivity, mechanical, and in vivo remodeling properties of polymeric biocomposites. Materials Research Society Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, December 1 - 6, 2013. Oral.
139. **AJ Harmata**, CL Ward, S Uppuganti, KJ Zienkiewicz, JS Nyman, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Effects of surface modification of 45S5 bioactive glass on bioactivity, mechanical, and in vivo remodeling properties of polymeric biocomposites. 5th International Conference on Mechanics of Biomaterials and Tissues, Sitges, SP, December 8 - 12, 2013. Oral.
140. **AJ Harmata**, KJ Zienkiewicz, D Shimko, K Kalpakci, JS Nyman, **SA Guelcher**. Effects of surface modification of 45S5 bioactive glass on mechanical and in vivo remodeling properties of polymeric biocomposites. Abstract submitted to 38th International Conference and Expo on Advanced Ceramics and Composites, Daytona Beach, FL, January 26 - 31, 2014.
141. CA Krueger, C Sanchez, **SA Guelcher**, JC Wenke. Development and Evaluation of a Biofilm-Dispersing Scaffold. Abstract submitted to AAOS Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, March 11 - 15, 2014. Poster.
142. **JM Page**, CL Duvall, **SA Guelcher**. Degradable Nanoparticles for pH-dependent Cytosolic Drug Delivery. Abstract to the Society For Biomaterials 2014 Annual Meeting Denver, Colorado, April 16 - 19, 2014. Oral.
143. **JM Page**, **AJ Harmata**, **SA Guelcher**. Poraderm: A Fully Degradable Synthetic Cutaneous Wound Treatment. Abstract submitted to the Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, April 16 - 19, 2014. Poster.
144. **EJ Adolph**, CE Nelson, CL Duvall, **SA Guelcher**. Release of Diblock Copolymer/Plasmid DNA Polyplexes from Polyurethane Scaffolds. Abstract submitted to the Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, April 16 - 19, 2014. Oral.

145. **R Guo**, CL Ward, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. An injectable and settable cell delivery system for tissue repair derived from in situ chemical polymerization. Abstract submitted to the Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, April 16 - 19, 2014. Oral.
146. **R Guo, S Lu, JM Page, SA Guelcher**. Controllable Effects of Mechanical Moduli on Osteoblast Differentiation of Mesenchymal Stem Cells on Polyurethane Substrates. Abstract submitted to the Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, April 16 - 19, 2014. Poster.
147. **AD Talley**, KA Kalpakci, **KJ Zienkiewicz**, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Space Maintenance and New Bone Formation with Polyurethane Biocomposites in a Canine Saddle Defect. Abstract submitted to the Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, April 16 - 19, 2014. Oral.
148. **AD Talley**, KN Kalpakci, D Shimko, KJ Zienkiewicz, DL Cochran, **SA Guelcher**. Space maintenance and new bone formation with injectable and settable composite bone grafts in a canine mandibular ridge saddle defect model. Abstracted submitted to the 24th Interdisciplinary Research Conference on Injectable Osteoarticular Biomaterials and Bone Augmentation Procedures (GRIBOI), May 5 - 7, 2014, Nantes, FR. Oral.
149. CE Nelson, JR Martin, MK Gupta, **EJ Adolph**, F Yu, JM Davidson, **SA Guelcher**, CL Duvall. Versatile Platform for Sustained Gene Silencing Improves Excisional Wound Healing in Diabetic Rats. Controlled Research Society Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, July 13 - 16, 2014. Oral. **Selected for the Outstanding Preclinical Sciences & Animal Health (PSAH) Best Paper Award.**
150. **UC Dadwal, JM Page**, A Merkel, M Kessler, JA Sterling, **SA Guelcher**. Investigating Osteolytic Bone Destruction in Tumor Induced Bone Disease as a Function of Rigidity using Novel 3D Bone Mimicking Scaffolds. Poster presented at the ASBMR Annual Meeting, Houston, TX, September 12 - 15, 2014.
151. JM Martin, **SA Guelcher**, CL Duvall. Poly(thioketal) polymers and their use in the formation of hydrophobic and hydrophilic cell-degradable tissue engineering scaffolds. Oral presentation at the Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, October 22-25, 2014.
152. P Thayer, E Tong, L Dahlgren, **SA Guelcher**, AS Goldstein. Mechanical Stimulatin of Cellularized Polyurethane-Collagen Composite Meshes for Connective Tissue Applications. Oral presentation at the Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, October 22-25, 2014.
153. P Thayer, E Tong, L Dahlgren, **SA Guelcher**, AS Goldstein. Effect of the Mechanical Environment on Connective Tissue Development in Fiber/Hydrogel Composite Meshes. Oral presentation at the AIChE Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 16 - 21, 2014.
154. RF Dunn, **SA Guelcher**, V Iakovlev. Failure Analysis of Transvaginal Mesh Products – a Biomaterials Perspective Using Materials Science Fundamentals. Oral presentation at the AIChE Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 16 - 21, 2014.
155. P Thayer, D Plessl, E Tong, S Verbridge, **SA Guelcher**, LA Dahlgren, AS Goldstein. Fiber/Collagen Composites As a Tunable Platform for Guiding Proliferation and Differentiation of Mesenchymal Stem Cells. Oral presentation at the AIChE Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 16 - 21, 2014.
156. PL Carlisle, DT Silliman, AD Talley, MAJ DI Tucker, COL RG Hale, **SA Guelcher**, PR Brown Baer. LOCALIZED LOW DOSE rhBMP-2 IS EFFECTIVE AT PROMOTING BONE REGENERATION IN A PRE- CLINICAL MANDIBULAR SEGMENTAL DEFECT MODEL. Abstract submitted to the Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society (TERMIS) Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, December 13 - 16, 2014. Poster
157. **R Guo**, CL Ward, LB Nanney, **SA Guelcher**. An Injectable And Settable Cell Delivery System Derived From In Situ Chemical Polymerization Promote Healing In a Porcine Full-Thickness Excisional Wound Model. Poster presented at the Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society (TERMIS) Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, December 13 - 16, 2014. Poster
158. **AD Talley**, KN Kalpakci, KJ Zienkiewicz, JC Wenke, **SA Guelcher**. Space Maintenance and New Bone Formation with Polyurethane Biocomposites in a Canine Saddle Defect. Oral presentation at the Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society (TERMIS) Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, December 13 - 16, 2014. Oral

159. V Iakovlev, **SA Guelcher**, R Bendavid. Histological and Ultrastructural Examination of Explanted Meshes Reveals Polypropylene Degradation. United States & Canadian Academy of Pathology (USCAP) Meeting, Boston, MA, March 21 - 27, 2015.
160. **AD Talley**, KA Kalpakci, KJ Zienkiewicz, **SA Guelcher**. Local Delivery of rhBMP-2 from a Compression-Resistant Graft in a Canine Lateral Ridge Augmentation Model. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, April 15 - 18, 2015. Oral
161. **AJ Harmata**, S Uppuganti, JS Nyman, **SA Guelcher**. Dynamic compressive fatigue and fracture toughness mechanical properties of 45S5 Bioactive Glass/Polyurethane Biocomposites and Calcium Phosphate/Sulfate Bone Cement. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, April 15 - 18, 2015. Oral
162. **R Guo**, **S Lu**, **JM Page**, A Merkel, JA Sterling, **SA Guelcher**. Crosstalk between Integrin- β 1 and BMPR1A mediate matrix regulated MSC osteogenesis. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, April 15 - 18, 2015. Poster
163. **S Fernando**, JA Sterling, **SA Guelcher**. 3D Printing of Bone-Templated Scaffolds. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, April 15 - 18, 2015. Poster.
164. **U Dadwal**, **JM Page**, AR Merkel, M Kessler, JA Sterling, **SA Guelcher**. 3D Printing of Scaffolds with Tunable Modulus and Pore Size for Investigating the Progression of Cancer-Induced Bone Disease *In Vitro*. Abstract submitted to the Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, April 15 - 18, 2015. Oral.
165. **AD Talley**, **KJ Zienkiewicz**, **SA Guelcher**. Injectable, settable and space-maintaining composite bone grafts for posterolateral fusion. 25th Interdisciplinary Research Conference on Injectable Osteoarticular Biomaterials and Bone Augmentation Procedures (GRIBOI). Toronto, CA, May 18 - 20, 2015. Oral
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TECHNOLOGY COMMERCIALIZATION

PEURegen, LLC, Nashville, TN

Co-Founder	2013 - present
Director of Research	2013 - present
NCIIA E-Team Participant Stage I, II, III	2013 - present
Position in Open Minds 2013 Competition VilCap VentureWell Health Boston	2014
Accelerator participant (finished 5th of 12)	2014
Accepted to Launch TN Phase 0/00 Program for grant writing	2014
Accept to Life Science TN Venture Forum 2014 competition	2014

Medical Technology Enterprise Consortium

Participant	2015 - present
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Eastman Chemical Company, Kingsport, TN

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Osteotech, Eatontown, NJ

Consultant	2005 – 2010
Member of Polymer Technology Advisory Board	2005 – 2010

Medtronic, Inc., Memphis, TN

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Material Answers, Boston, MA

Consultant	2007
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McLane Law Firm, Concord, NH

Consultant	2008 – 2010
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Polymer and Chemical Technologies, LLC, Nashville, TN

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Guelcher Consulting, LLC, Thompsons Station, TN

Owner	2014 - present
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POST-DOCTORAL SCHOLARS ADVISED

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GRADUATE STUDENTS ADVISED

Graduated PhD Students

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2. **Andrea E. Hafeman.** 2005 - 2010. *Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds with Local Delivery of Bioactive Molecules for Tissue Regeneration.* Graduated May 2010. Currently Senior Manager, Global Medical Affairs at Baxter Healthcare.
3. **Bing Li.** May 2006 – 2010. *Biodegradable Polyurethane Scaffolds and Delivery Systems for Regeneration of Bone Tissue.* Graduated May 2010. Currently a Materials Scientist at GE Global Research.
4. **Jerald Dumas.** 2005 – 2010. *Allograft Mineralized Bone Particle/polyurethane Composites for Bone Tissue Engineering.* Graduated December 2010. Currently a Post-doctoral Research Associate at Georgia Tech.
5. **Nazanin S. Ruppender.** 2006 – 2011. *Matrix Mechanical Properties and the Invasive Potential of Metastatic Cancer.* Graduated May 2011. Currently an Editor at American Journal Experts.
6. **Margarita Prieto.** 2008 – 2013. *Injectable polyurethane composites for bone defects with tunable mechanical, processing and in vitro biological properties.* Graduated December 2013. Currently at Abbot Laboratories.
7. **Jonathan M. Page.** 2010 - 2014. *Design of Novel Polyurethane Biomaterials for Synthetic Extracellular Matrices.* Graduated May 2014. Currently at Microport.
8. **Elizabeth Adolph.** 2009 - 2014. *Injectable Polyurethane Scaffolds with Delivery of Biologics for Skin Wound Healing.* Graduated May 2014. Currently at Baylor University Medical Center.
9. **Ruijing Guo.** 2010 - 2015. *Cell delivery with polyurethane scaffolds for wound healing.* Graduated May 2015. Currently at Bayer MaterialScience.
10. **Drew Harmata.** 2010 - 2015. *Injectable, Settable Polyurethane and Bioactive Glass Biocomposite for Bone remodeling in weight-bearing applications.* Graduated May 2015. Currently at IQuity Labs.

Graduated MS Students

1. **Andrew C. Exton.** 2009 - 2011. *Mechanical Properties of Biodegradable Weight-bearing Allograft Bone/polyurethane and Calcium Phosphate/polyurethane Composites.* Graduated August 2011.

PhD Candidates

1. **Anne Talley.** 2011 - present. *Injectable Polyurethane Scaffolds for the Healing of Bone Defects.* Anticipated Graduation May 2016.
2. **Ushashi Dadwal.** 2013 - present. *Studying Cancer-Induced Bone Disease by Developing an Artificial Bone Analogue System.* Anticipated Graduation December 2015.
3. **Sichang Lu.** 2012 - present. *Three-dimensional Model of Osteoblast-Osteoclast-Tumor Co-culture System.* Anticipated Graduation May 2017.

PhD Pre-candidates

4. **Madison McEnery.** 2014 - present. Anticipated Departmental Exam August 2015.
5. **Tom Spoonmore.** 2015 - present. Anticipated Departmental Exam August 2015.
6. **Joe Vanderburgh.** 2015 - present. Anticipated Departmental Exam August 2015.

Medical Emphasis Students

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Undergraduate Research Students Advised

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2. Spring 2006. Polymer Science and Engineering (ChE 290). Enrollment 10. Elective.
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5. Fall 2007. Kinetics (ChE 225). Enrollment 29. Required.
6. Spring 2008. Bioprocess Engineering (ChE 283). Enrollment 7. Elective.
7. Fall 2008. Introduction to Engineering (ES140). Enrollment 28. Required.
8. Spring 2009. Chemical Reaction Engineering (ChBE 225). Enrollment 29. Required.
9. Fall 2009. Introduction to Engineering (ES140). Enrollment 25. Required.
10. Fall 2009. Bioprocess Engineering (ChBE 283). Enrollment 29. Required.
11. Spring 2010. Chemical Reaction Engineering (ChBE 225). Enrollment 41. Required.
12. Fall 2010. Introduction to Engineering (ES140). Enrollment 25. Required.
13. Spring 2011. Chemical Reaction Engineering (ChBE 225). Enrollment 52. Required.
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18. Spring 2014. Chemical Reaction Engineering (ChBE 225). Enrollment 54. Required.
19. Fall 2014. Chemical Process Design (ChBE 233). Enrollment 52. Required.
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21. Fall 2015. Introduction to Engineering (ES140). Enrollment 30. Required.
22. Fall 2015. Design Seminar (ChBE 297). Enrollment 50. Required.
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7 Service**REVIEWING SERVICE**

Grant Review Panels

1. Orthopaedic Extremity Trauma Research Program. 2007
2. CDMRP. 2012
3. NSF-DMR. 2007 - present.
4. NIH Special Emphasis Panels. 2014 - present.
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Journal Reviewer

Acta Biomaterialia
Advances in Wound Care

Journal of Biomaterials Science: Polymer Edition
Journal of Controlled Release

Biomacromolecules	Journal of Investigative Dermatology
Biomaterials	Journal Materials Chemistry
Biomaterials Science	Nature Protocols
Biomedical Materials	Pharmaceutical Research
Cancer Letters	Polymer
Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research	Polymer International
Industrial Engineering and Chemistry Research	Soft Materials
Journal of Biomaterials Applications	Tissue Engineering
Journal of Biomedical Materials Research Part A	Small
Journal of Biomedical Materials Research Part B	

SERVICE TO THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY

Membership in Professional Societies

1. Member, American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE). 2000 – present.
2. Member, Society for Biomaterials (SFB). 2003 - present.
3. Member, Interdisciplinary Research Society for Bone and Joint Injectable Biomaterials (GRIBOI). 2010 - present.
4. Member, American Chemical Society (ACS). 2011 - present.
5. *Forum* reporter. Drug Delivery Special Interest Group (SIG), Society for Biomaterials, 2013 - 2015.
6. Chair. Dental/Craniofacial Biomaterials Special Interest Group (SIG, Society for Biomaterials, 2015.

Conference Organization

1. AIChE Session Chair, Area 8a Biomaterials. 2006 – present.
2. AFIRM I All-hands meeting Session Chair. 2010
3. Reviewer. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting Abstracts. 2008 - present
4. Session Co-organizer: Beyond PMMA Bone Cement. GRIBOI Annual meeting. 2013.
5. Co-moderator. BMP2, The Bone Growth Factor: Panel Discussion. Society for Biomaterials Annual Meeting. 2013.
6. AFIRM II Investigators Meeting Session Chair. 2014 - present
7. AFIRM II Synergy Meeting Planning Committee. 2014
8. Society for Biomaterials Session Co-organizer: “Next Generation Biomaterial and Drug Delivery Technologies for Wound Healing.” 2015
9. Session Co-Organizer/Participant: Court is in Session: Will Transvaginal Mesh Win or Lose? Workshop at the International Urogynecological Association (IUGA) 40th Annual Meeting, Nice, France. June 9 - 13, 2015.
10. Discussion Leader. NSF Multiscale/3D Printing Cement Workshop. Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN. July 16 - 17, 2015

Advisory Committees

1. AFIRM I Standards Development Committee. 2010 - 2011.
2. Biomedical Engineering Department Advisory Board. University of Memphis. 2012 - 2014.
3. Scientific Advisory Board. Interdisciplinary Research Society for Bone and Joint Injectable Biomaterials (GRIBOI). 2014 - present.
4. Advancing Regenerative Medicine Manufacturing Know-how and Capacity: Core Capabilities & Shared Facilities Committee. Armed Forces Institute of Regenerative Medicine II (AFIRM). 2014 - present.

5. Medical Technology Enterprise Consortium (MTEC) aligned with the US Army Medical Research and Materiel Command. 2015 - present.
6. Scientific Advisory Board. TENSIVE S.r.l., Milano, Italy. 2015 - present

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Department

1. Faculty Advisor, AIChE Student Chapter. 2005 - present.
2. Member, ChBE Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. 2005 - 2011, 2014 - present
3. Member, ChBE Graduate Committee. 2011 - 2013

School

1. Member, VUSE Career Committee. 2008 - 2014
2. Member, Entrepreneurship Task Force. 2012 - 2014
3. Advisor, Society for Biomaterials Student Chapter, 2013 - 2014
4. Member, VUSE Design Committee. 2014 - present

University

1. University Chemical Safety Committee. 2009 - present.
2. Vanderbilt Center for Technology Transfer and Commercialization Faculty Advisory Committee. 2012 - present.
3. Faculty Senate. 2012 - 2015.
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Das N	Review Article: Microbial Degradation of Petroleum Hydrocarbons Contaminant: An Overview	Journal of Biotechnology Research International, Volume 2011, Article ID 941810
Deprest	Tensile strength and host response towards different polypropylene implant materials used for augmentation of fascial repair in a rat model	Int Urogynecol J (2007) 18:619–626
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Deprest	Host Reaction to Vaginally Inserted Collagen Containing Polypropylene Implants in Sheep	AJOG. April 2015Volume 212, Issue 4, Pages 474.e1–474.e8
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Retainer and Fee Schedule
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Fee Schedule

Labor	Cost	
Ph.D. Chemical Engineer – Research and Analysis		
Half day	\$ 1,250	
Full day	\$ 2,500	
Ph.D. Chemical Engineer – Report Preparation		
Short Report	\$ 7,500	
Medium Report	\$ 10,000	
Long Report	\$ 12,500	
Ph.D. Chemical Engineer – Expert Deposition and Court Testimony		
Half day	\$ 2,000	
Full day	\$ 4,000	
Ph.D. Chemical Engineer – Travel		
Half day	\$ 1,000	
Full day	\$ 2,000	
Ph.D. Chemical Engineer – Deposition/Trial Preparation	\$ 7,500	
Expense Items		
Travel		Air travel, rental car and hotel billed at cost. Mileage per diem rate for personal car.
Travel Meals		Per diem or at cost

Payment Terms and Late Fee

Payment is due within 30 days of each invoice. Interest at a rate of 1.5% per month will be billed on all invoices over 45 days past due.

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